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Trump's court battle begins

Ex-president pleads not guilty to federal charges as demonstrators gather in Fla.

By Glenn Thrush, Nicholas Nehamas, and Eileen Sullivan
NEW YORK TIMES

MIAMI — Donald Trump, twice impeached as president and now twice indicted since leaving the White House, surrendered to federal authorities in Miami on Tuesday and was arraigned on charges that he had put national security secrets at risk and obstructed investigators.

Trump was booked, fingerprinted, and led to a courtroom on the 13th floor of the US District Court, where his lawyer entered a plea of not guilty on his behalf.

Sitting among the spectators about 20 feet away was Jack Smith, the special counsel overseeing the investigation that led to the 38-count indictment of Trump and his personal aide, Walt Nauta, who was also present for the proceedings but did not enter a plea.

Trump, who spent much of the arraignment with his arms folded and a grim expression, and Smith, a flinty former war crimes prosecutor rarely seen in public since taking charge of the case, did not talk to each other at the hearing, or even exchange glances.

The 50-minute hearing, both mundane and momentous, marked the start of what is sure to be at least a months-long process of bringing Trump to trial against the backdrop of a presidential race in which he is the front-runner for the Republican nomination.

Trump has also been indicted in an unrelated case by the Manhattan district attorney, who has charged him in connection with hush money payments to a porn star before the 2016 election. He faces a separate inquiry by a prosecutor in Fulton County, Ga., who is scrutinizing his efforts to reverse his election loss in Georgia in 2020, and Smith is pressing ahead with a federal investigation into Trump's efforts to retain power and the ensuing Jan. 6, 2021, assault on the Capitol by a pro-Trump mob.

Outside the courthouse, amid a heavy police presence, small groups of pro-Trump demonstrators voiced their support for the former president, who has denounced the indictment as the latest installment in a long-running and politically inspired witch hunt against him.

Inside, Trump was moved briskly through the process of becoming a defendant in a federal criminal case, with the authorities seeking to minimize anything that could be interpreted as an attempt to further embarrass the former president.

He was not required to have his mug shot taken, the government did

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Demonstrators with competing messages held signs in front of the courthouse before the arraignment of former president Donald Trump.

Mass. nearly lost $80m

Moved quickly to use unspent COVID funds

By Tal Kopan and Samantha J. Gross
GLOBE STAFF

WASHINGTON — As the House of Representatives was voting to pass a deal to avert a debt limit crisis late last month, lawmakers representing Massachusetts in Congress received a warning: The state had just days to commit $80 million to projects or lose it all.

Clawing back unspent and uncommitted COVID-era funds was a critical part of an agreement between President Biden and Republicans to avert a catastrophic default on the nation's debt, and Massachusetts was at risk of losing more than half its allocation of flexible highway funds from a 2020 COVID relief package, according to a Federal Highway Administration document obtained by The Boston Globe.

In a matter of days, after Governor Maura Healey received the message, the state Department of Transportation assigned the money, ensuring all but 3 percent of the original funds were safe from being reclaimed, officials told the Globe.

State officials chose to split the unspent funds among four projects already underway, officials with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation said, but they would not specify how much each project would receive. The projects are in different stages of development and with costs ranging from roughly $70 million to nearly $400 million. All four were identified in 2022 as major priorities in MassDOT's Capital Investments

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Cormac McCarthy has died at 89. The Pulitzer Prize-winning author's lyrical and often brutal novels propelled him to the first ranks of American fiction. **C11.**

A new bank established by the state will provide loans to make affordable housing more climate-friendly. **B1.**

A bipartisan group of lawmakers has asked the Biden administration to punish South Africa for what it sees as the country's support of Russia's war in Ukraine by moving a major trade conference scheduled to be held in South Africa. **A3.**

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> 'Trump has completely redefined the GOP, so that everyone is evaluated in relationship with Trump.'
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Other GOP candidates invoke Reagan, but for these Mich. voters, Trump's the only choice

By Jess Bidgood
GLOBE STAFF

SHELBY TOWNSHIP, Mich. — The federal criminal indictment of former president Donald Trump has set up an extraordinary confrontation between President Biden's administration and the front-runner for the Republican presidential nomination, one that could shape the next race for the presidency and the direction of the GOP for a generation.

It has also made Darlene Doetzel like Trump even more.

"Had it not been for the witch hunt, if they'd left him alone, I'd probably be for Ron DeSantis," said Doetzel, a retiree and a devoted GOP activist wearing a pink blazer over a black T-shirt emblazoned with rhinestones that spelled out the word "Trump."

"Since they're persecuting my president," she added, "I swear allegiance to him."

Doetzel was leaving a packed meeting of the Macomb County Republican Party Executive Committee last Thursday, where Trump is still considered the rightful president and Biden a "usurper," and where the news of Trump's newest indictment barely caused a stir in a crowd that was listening intently as the evening's featured speaker denied recent election results.

"Shut off the TV until we have free and fair elections," the speaker, Michael Butz, told the crowd. "You can't win in their fictional system."

Forty years ago, Macomb County, a swath of industrialized suburbs north of Detroit, famously helped to power the landslide

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Public housing gets federal boost

Program means hundreds of new units are being built

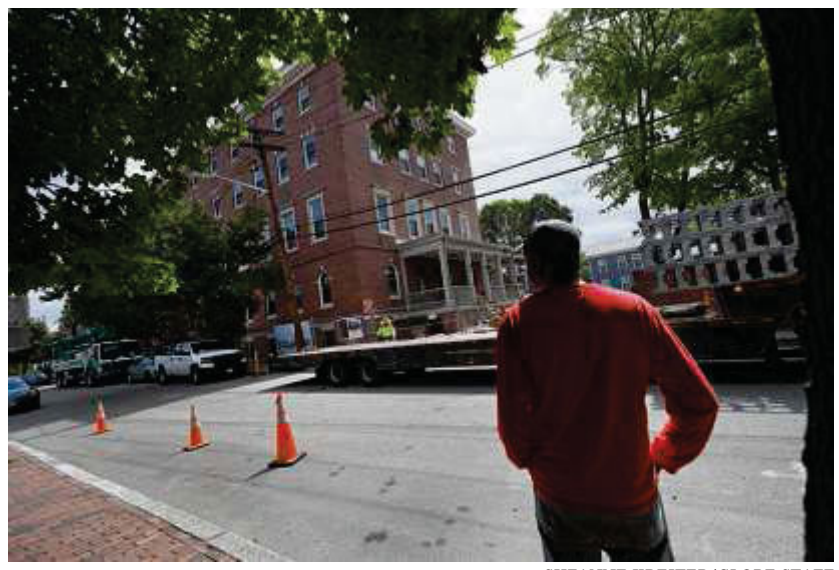
By Andrew Brinker
GLOBE STAFF

Almost a quarter-century ago, the word came down from Washington, D.C.: The federal government was done building public housing.

A new law capped the number of deeply affordable apartments Washington would subsidize in any given city at whatever existed in 1999, closing the book on a decades-long push against public housing by critics who associated it with crime and concentrated poverty.

Since then, as age and demolition have taken their toll on decades-old housing projects, the supply of public housing has inexorably dwindled.

Until now. Through a new but little-known federal program, some municipalities in Massachusetts are building the first new public housing units since that cap was passed, a moment many in the housing world thought might never come.



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Cambridge is currently renovating public housing on Norfolk Street using funds available under a new federal program.

Their numbers are small, and the financing is very complicated. But with the right combination of fund-

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Colleges earn low grades on preparing reading teachers

By Naomi Martin
GLOBE STAFF

Massachusetts ranks among the worst states in the nation for preparing aspiring teachers how to teach children to read in scientifically proven ways, a report released Tuesday by the National Council on Teacher Quality found.

THE GREAT DIVIDE

The report, which comes as reading instruction remains a hotly debated topic nationwide, ranked Massachusetts 35th for teaching new educators how to instruct students on phonics, vocabulary, and other core components of reading. The report reviewed 19 colleges in Massachusetts that included public, private, undergraduate, and graduate programs for future elementary teachers; another 15 programs declined to participate.

Just three colleges in Massachusetts are adequately preparing aspiring teachers to effectively educate kids to read, the report found, while many institutions missed teaching key instruc-

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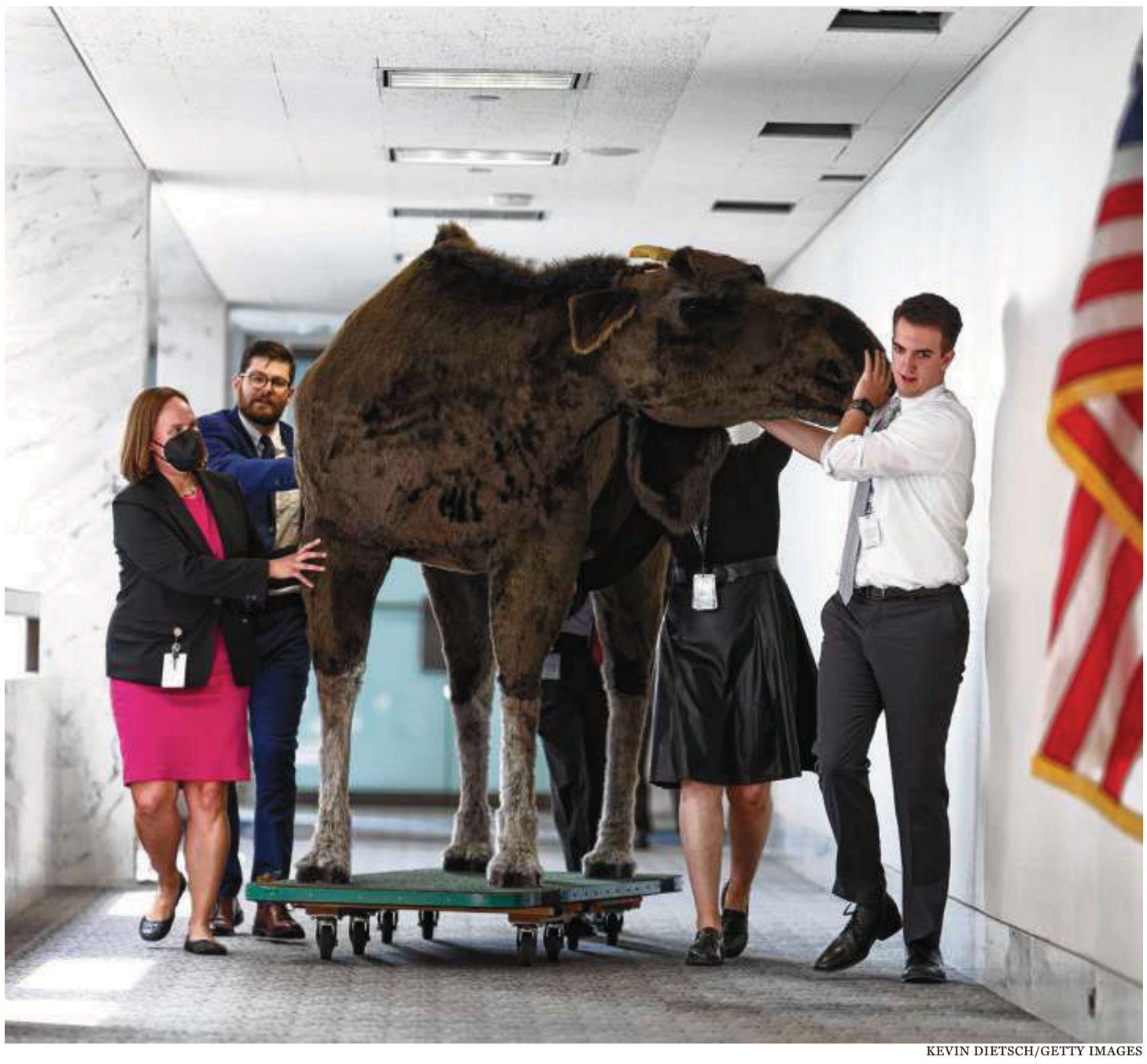

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ROLL MODEL — Staffers of Senator Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire transported a stuffed moose that had arrived in her D.C. office on Tuesday. The moose will be on display as part of an annual "Experience New Hampshire" event.

House GOP lawmakers end standoff

McCarthy, rebel group say voting will resume

By Marianna Sotomayor and Leigh Ann Caldwell
WASHINGTON POST

House Republicans have temporarily overcome an impasse after roughly a dozen far-right lawmakers defied their leadership and blocked a key procedural hurdle that effectively froze the House floor from considering any business for almost a week.

Speaker Kevin McCarthy, Republican from California, and several of the protesting members emerged after an hourlong meeting Monday evening to separately announce that the House will vote on five pieces of legislation this week, including a key demand by the far-right group on a resolution denouncing a Biden administration gun regulation.

Later Monday night, in a clear indication that McCarthy is attempting to appease the rebels, a top McCarthy lieutenant said both defense and domestic spending bills would be written with deeper spending cuts at levels they demanded.

But the agreement does not free McCarthy from pressure from the group, which vows to continue to hold him accountable in the upcoming appropriations process. They also want assurance they will be part of the negotiating process for bills as often as their more-moderate colleagues and that leadership won't rely on Democrats to pass any legislation.

"I think there's a willingness. That doesn't mean it's all locked together," McCarthy said after announcing that the House will postpone scheduled votes one more day. "I think everybody's attitude was, how do we find it when we all work together? And we know [when] we work together, we work on conservative issues, we're winning, and we get more victories that way. And I think everybody wants to get back to that place."

Frustration among the rest of the conference at the small group of disrupters erupted Tuesday morning behind closed doors at the weekly Republican conference meeting. Representative Derrick Van Orden, Republican from Wisconsin, stood and gave a passionate, expletive-laced plea for his colleagues to put their heads down and get to work instead of holding hostage the House floor if their demands aren't met. The freshman congressman said he comes to work every day even though his daughter is suffering from cancer.

"Van Orden spoke for 95 percent of us minus the cuss words," said one lawmaker in the room who spoke on the condition of anonymity to discuss a private meeting.

The standoff stemmed from the hard right's commitment to dramatically reducing the debt, which is sitting at about $31 trillion. These lawmakers want deeper spending cuts and are angry that the agreement reached late last month with Biden to lift the debt limit to prevent default would do little to narrow the spending gap and would suspend the limit until 2025, removing an effective pressure point to force Democrats to reduce spending.

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There is also a deep-seated irritation with Republican leaders, who relied on Democratic votes to pass the debt limit deal. Eleven members of the far-right group, many of whom belong to the staunchly conservative House Freedom Caucus, blocked a procedural hurdle that would have set up parameters to debate and pass messaging bills last week to force GOP leaders to the negotiating table. The group said McCarthy had violated an agreement made with them in January to elect him House speaker.

McCarthy supposedly made a number of bargains with far-right members to win the speaker's gavel, but none of those alleged deals were written down and released publicly, leading to a game of he-said, he-said when it came to broken promises.

The hurdle, known as a rule, has historically been passed with only the majority party's votes, including by those who would vote against a bill during final passage. Republicans balked that Democrats had to bail them out to pass the rule vote on the debt ceiling and that almost 20 more Democrats voted to pass the final bill than Republicans.

The far-right members then used their first opportunity to sink a rule vote last week — that prevented debate on conservative priorities, including preserving gas stove usage — as a signal that they should not be ignored in the future or that leaders should not solely rely on Democrats to enact their agenda. Any five GOP lawmakers could prevent a vote from passing through their razor-thin majority.

The House is starting the process of writing its funding bills, which will be a huge test for the speaker. McCarthy has indicated that he is open to spending bills going below the budget caps he negotiated with the White House, and the far-right members are likely to hold him to that, an escalation that could shut down the government.

An announcement by Representative Kay Granger, Republican from Texas and chair of the House Appropriations Committee, said she would write funding bills at fiscal 2022 levels for new spending for both defense and nondefense discretionary spending. This is a significant concession that is sure to get fierce pushback from House Democrats. It also will make it much more difficult to come to an agreement to fund the government with the Senate, where Republicans will probably reject cuts to defense spending and Democrats have bristled at even minor domestic spending reductions.

Wis. GOP to cut university budget over equity efforts

Fight reflects a 'cultural battle' of college inclusion

By Harm Venhuizen
ASSOCIATED PRESS

MADISON, Wis. — Republican state lawmakers were poised Tuesday to cut funding for University of Wisconsin campuses as the GOP-controlled Legislature and school officials continue to clash over efforts to promote diversity and inclusion.

The vote comes just days after Republicans refused to fund the university's top building project priority — a new engineering facility on the flagship Madison campus.

Tensions between Republicans who control the Legislature and the state's university system are nothing new. But the fight this year centers on issues of free speech and UW's work to advance diversity and racial equity.

Assembly Speaker Robin Vos, the state's top Republican, said ahead of a meeting of the budget-writing committee on Tuesday that he wants it to cut all funding the university system would use for diversity initiatives. He estimated the cuts would total $32 million.

"I hope we have the ability to eliminate that spending. The university should have already chosen to redirect it to something that is more productive and more broadly supported," Vos told the Associated Press.

UW spokesperson Mark Pitsch said salaries for current system employees specifically tasked with working on diversity, equity, and inclusion amount to roughly $15.6 million annually. That number does not include funding for diversity events or other initiatives.

Vos has previously called campus diversity offices a waste of taxpayer money and said they further racial divides. Meanwhile, UW System President Jay Rothman hired a new chief diversity officer with an annual salary of $225,000 who began work on Monday. He did not publicize the hiring at a UW Board of Regents meeting earlier this month.

"I want the university to grow and succeed, but if they are obsessed with spending all the scarce dollars that they have on programs that are clearly divisive and offer little public good, I don't know why we'd want to support that," Vos said.

The fight reflects a broader cultural battle playing out across the nation over college diversity initiatives. Republican lawmakers this year have proposed more than 30 bills in 12 states to limit diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in higher education, an Associated Press analysis found in April.

Democratic Senator Kelda Roys, whose district includes the UW-Madison campus, called Vos petty and criticized the push to eliminate diversity initiatives.

"You'd be hard pressed to find a major organization in this country that isn't doing something to help them achieve equity and inclusion," Roys said. "The UW is the economic engine of the state. Making any cuts to the UW, especially politically motivated ones, is just going to harm every person in this state."

UW regents asked the Legislature in September for a total spending increase of nearly $436 million in state money over the next two years, citing low revenue from a decadelong tuition freeze and rising costs due to inflation. Vos said the budget committee plans to reject that request, which was about $130 million higher than even Democratic Governor Tony Evers wanted for UW.

Factoring in the expected budget cuts, Tuesday's vote could leave the UW System nearly half a billion dollars short of what school officials say they need.

The fallout could land on the backs of students as UW leaders look to fill gaps in funding.

Rothman proposed tuition and fees hikes ranging from 3 percent to 5.4 percent for undergraduates across the 13 colleges in the UW System after Evers proposed giving UW $130 million less than it wanted.

Evers called the Republican plan disastrous in a statement Tuesday, saying it "will only hurt our kids, our state's economy, and our state's workforce in the process."

Republicans on the finance committee have largely ignored Evers's proposals, scrapping more than 500 of the governor's budget items last month.

The Legislature is expected to complete its budget plan by the end of June, at which point Evers can make adjustments using partial vetoes or send it back to lawmakers for revisions.

DAILY BRIEFING

Legal status is extended for some

SAN DIEGO — The Biden administration said Tuesday that it will extend legal status by 18 months for more than 300,000 people from El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Nepal, disappointing some advocates and members of Congress who sought a more generous offer.

The extensions provide "continued safety and protection" for those already legally in the US on Temporary Protected Status, which is due to end soon under Donald Trump-era decisions, said Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.

While the decision benefits an estimated 334,000 people from the four countries, including 239,000 from El Salvador, some had hoped for a far more sweeping gesture including expanded eligibility for more recent arrivals from El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, and Venezuela.

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Buttigieg promises quick I-95 repairs

Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg promised Tuesday to help repair the East Coast's main north-south highway as quickly as possible and said the destruction of a section of Interstate 95 is likely to raise the cost of consumer goods because truckers must now travel longer routes.

Speaking near the site where an out-of-control tractor-trailer hauling gasoline flipped over on an I-95 off-ramp and caught fire, Buttigieg said he expects that disruptions in trucking routes will put "upward pressure" on shipping costs along the East Coast.

Most drivers traveling the I-95 corridor between Delaware and New York City use the New Jersey Turnpike rather than the segment of interstate where the collapse occurred.

But the collapse is snarling traffic in Philadelphia as the summer travel season starts.

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Gunman attacked Jews on social media

PITTSBURGH — A gunman who killed 11 worshipers at a Pittsburgh synagogue ranted incessantly on social media about his hatred of Jewish people before the 2018 attack, according to evidence introduced at his federal death penalty trial on Tuesday.

Prosecutors are trying to show Robert Bowers was motivated by extreme hostility toward Jews when he opened fire at the Tree of Life synagogue during Sabbath services and committed the deadliest antisemitic attack in US history.

The 50-year-old truck driver is charged with 63 criminal counts, including hate crimes resulting in death and the obstruction of the free exercise of religion resulting in death.

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6 convicted in shooting of girl

A jury in Washington, D.C., Superior Court convicted six men Tuesday for a variety of crimes, including first-degree murder and conspiracy, in connection with the 2018 fatal shooting of 10-year-old Makiyah Wilson as she stood with her older sister near an ice cream truck in the nation's capital.

The verdict after a three-month trial was a mostly a win for prosecutors, as the jury agreed that most of those charged were responsible for the most serious offenses. One defendant, though, was found not guilty of first-degree murder.

Makiyah's face became a symbol of the human toll of gun violence on city streets.

Homicide detectives arrested 11 people in connection with the shooting.

WASHINGTON POST

The World

Putin threatens to capture more of Ukraine

Leader says he wants to protect Russian border

By Jamey Keaten
ASSOCIATED PRESS

KYIV — Russian President Vladimir Putin suggested Tuesday that he could order his troops to try to seize more land in Ukraine to protect bordering Russian territory — a threat with questionable credibility because the Kremlin lacks full control over areas it already annexed.

In some of his most detailed remarks about the war in months, the Russian leader also asserted that Ukrainian forces had suffered "catastrophic" losses in a new counteroffensive, and he said he was not contemplating a new troop mobilization, as many Russians have feared. But he did not rule out another troop call-up later. And he reiterated Russia's claim that Ukraine was responsible for blowing up a Dnieper River dam that caused vast flooding on both sides of the front line last week in the country's south.

Putin's comments at an open meeting with military journalists and bloggers followed Kyiv's claims that Ukrainian troops had captured a handful of villages in the early stages of the counteroffensive as they seek to push Russian troops out of four regions of Ukraine the Kremlin illegally annexed last fall. The meeting, which lasted more than two hours, came after Russian missile strikes in central Ukraine killed at least 11 people overnight.

Putin said Ukraine's counteroffensive has been unsuccessful. He asserted that Ukraine lost 160 tanks and over 360 other armored vehicles, while Russia lost 54 tanks since the new assault began. Those claims could not be immediately verified. Ukrainian officials typically do not comment on losses.

The White House offered no immediate reaction to Putin's claims.

A US official familiar with American intelligence said Putin's comments were "not accurate" and cautioned against putting any stock in Russia's public assessments. The official, who spoke on condition of anonymity to offer an internal assessment, did not detail how Putin's claims were misleading.

Referring to alleged Ukrainian incursions into Russia and shelling of border regions, Putin said he was considering whether "to create on Ukrainian territory a kind of sanitary zone at such a distance from which it would be impossible to get our territory."

It was not clear whether Russia — which failed to capture Kyiv and its surroundings early in the war and later had to give up other territory it had captured, even in annexed areas — could afford to risk expanding its gains in Ukraine while trying to repel the evolving counteroffensive in several sectors of the more than 600-mile front line.

In recent weeks, Russia's border areas have come under attack, with the Kremlin blaming Ukrainian forces for incursions of fighters and drone strikes.

Ukrainian authorities have not confirmed Kyiv's involvement in the attacks but have obliquely welcomed them. Russian volunteer units sympathizing with Ukraine have claimed responsibility for the incursions.

Putin acknowledged that Russian authorities should have foreseen and prepared to stop such attacks. Earlier in the war, the border was better protected because Russia held more adjacent Ukrainian territory, but Kremlin forces withdrew from much of it last fall under the brunt of a Ukrainian counteroffensive. Putin's long meeting with military bloggers, along with war correspondents from traditional news media, was a dramatic acknowledgement of their importance in conveying the Kremlin's viewpoint.

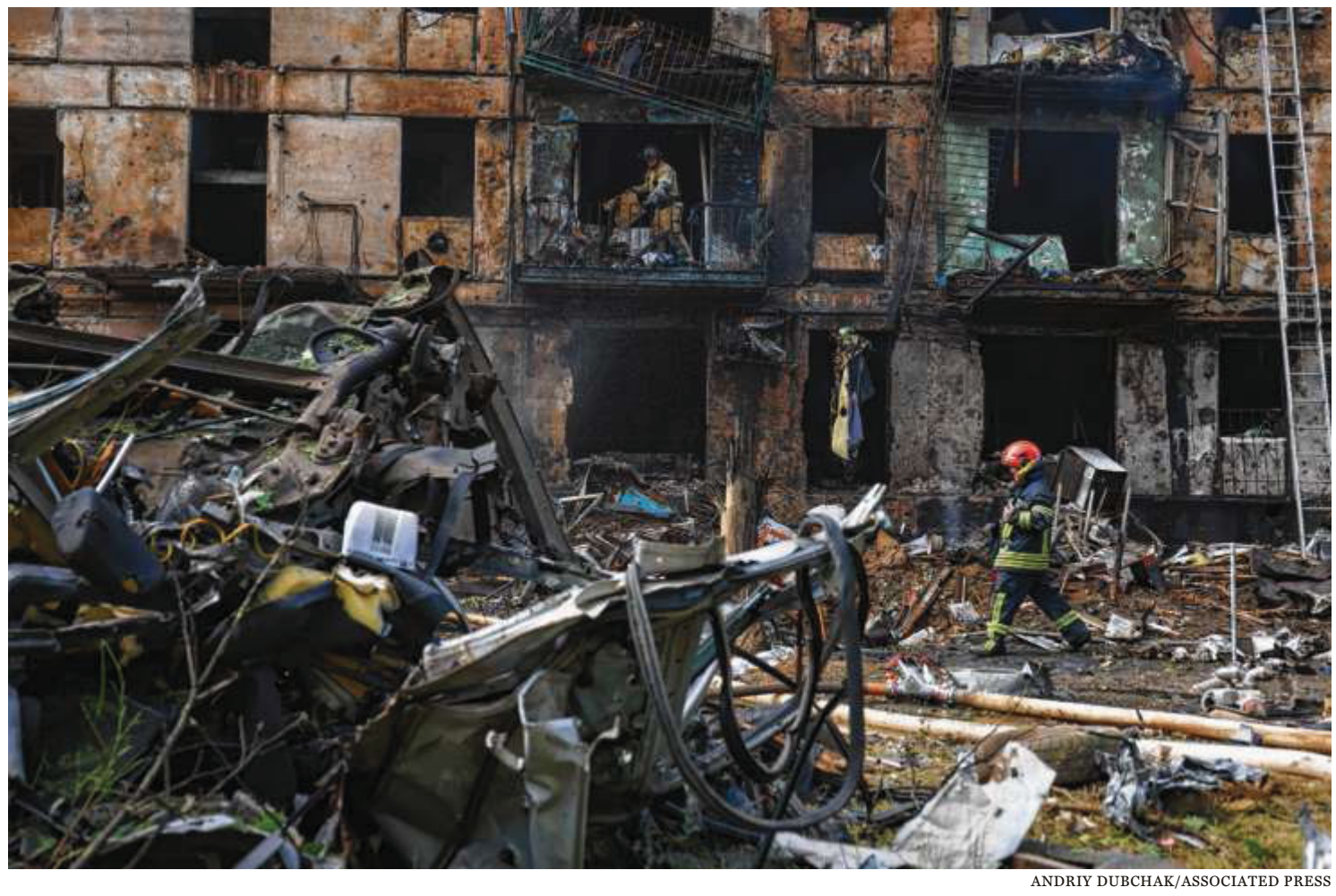
While Putin spoke, the State Department announced that the United States would send Ukraine a new military aid package worth up to $325 million, including a range of rockets, missiles, and other munitions.

Putin mocked alleged Ukrainian battlefield losses, including of high-tech Western equipment Kyiv has received. He said German-made Leopard battle tanks and US-made Bradley infantry fighting vehicles "are burning really well."

Contrasting with Putin's dim view of Ukraine's progress in its counteroffensive, NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg told President Biden on Tuesday that Ukrainians are "making progress," and that could bolster their position in any peace talks.

"It's still early days, but what we do know is that the more land that Ukrainians are able to liberate, the stronger hand they will have at the negotiating table," Stoltenberg said at a White House meeting.

Also Tuesday, Ukraine's deputy defense minister, Hanna Maliar, told Ukrainian TV country's forces are continuing the offensive in four areas in the south and east.



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Emergency workers inspected a damaged apartment building hit by a Russian rocket attack in Kryvyi Rih, Ukraine, Tuesday.

DAILY BRIEFING

Commandos were hurt in copter crash

WASHINGTON — The 22 soldiers who were injured in a helicopter accident in northeastern Syria on Sunday were part of the Army's highly secretive Delta Force commando unit, which has previously carried out kill-or-capture raids against Islamic State militants in that part of the country, three senior military officials said Tuesday.

The Pentagon's Central Command, which oversees operations in the Middle East and South Asia, said in a brief statement Monday night that "a helicopter mishap" in northeastern Syria had left nearly two dozen service members with injuries.

The statement said that 10 of the soldiers had been evacuated to hospitals outside the region. The command did not say what the commandos were doing when the incident happened or what might have caused the accident, saying only that no enemy fire had been reported and that an inquiry was underway.

"We have nothing additional to provide pending the outcome of the investigation," Major John Moore, a spokesman for the Central Command, said in an e-mail Tuesday.

But the three military officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity because of the continuing inquiry, said Tuesday that an MH-47 Chinook helicopter carrying the commandos had gone down in apparently good weather and without taking hostile fire. It was unclear whether the aircraft had suffered mechanical failure, pilot error, or some other problem, the officials said.

The 10 most seriously injured soldiers were flown to an American medical hospital in Germany, but none of their injuries were life-threatening, the officials said.

More than 900 US troops and several hundred more contractors are based in Syria. The troops work with Kurdish fighters to prevent a resurgence of the Islamic State group, which was defeated as a self-declared caliphate in 2019, after five years of wreaking havoc across Iraq and Syria.

NEW YORK TIMES

Suspect arrested in series of attacks

LONDON — A man was arrested early Tuesday on the suspicion of murder after three people, including two students, were found dead in the city of Nottingham, in central England. The arrest followed a series of attacks Prime Minister Rishi Sunak of Britain called a "shocking incident."

Police said they were first alerted just after 4 a.m. about two people who had been "stabbed in the street and were unresponsive." They would later be identified as 19-year-old students at the University of Nottingham.

Police officers were then called to a nearby street in the city center, where three other people were found wounded after a driver attempted to run them over with a van, according to a statement by the Nottinghamshire police.

Soon after, the body of a man in his 50s who had been killed with a knife was found in a third street. Police said Tuesday that they believe the van belonged to that man and that it had been stolen from him.

A 31-year-old man was arrested in connection with the deaths. The three other injured people, including one man who was in critical condition, were receiving treatment in a hospital, police said. Police described them only as "members of the public."

Chief Constable Kate Meynell of the Nottinghamshire police said authorities were "keeping an open mind" as they gathered evidence to determine a motive.

Authorities gave no indication whether the alarming succession of violence was connected to terrorism, with police saying only that they were working with a team of detectives and counterterrorism police to "establish the facts" in an ongoing investigation still in its "early stages."

NEW YORK TIMES

Death toll over 300 in Kenya cult

NAIROBI — The number of people who died after a Kenyan pastor ordered his followers to starve to death in order to meet Jesus has surpassed 300, authorities said Tuesday, and the death toll is expected to rise as more exhumations are planned.

The toll increased to 303 after 19 more bodies were recovered from mass graves in the vast forested land in Kilifi County of coastal Kenya, where pastor Paul Mackenzie and his followers lived.

Coastal regional commissioner Rhoda Onyancha told local journalists that 613 people tied to the area are missing.

On Monday, 65 of the 95 parishioners whom authorities said they rescued from the property were charged with attempting suicide after they staged a hunger strike to protest being held at a shelter. They were moved to a jail.

Police went to MacKenzie's property in April after investigators received a tip that dozens of people were starving to death after their pastor told them it was a way to meet Jesus.

The emaciated followers were treated at a Malindi hospital before they were taken to the shelter.

Before his arrest in April, the pastor had been charged in connection with the disappearance of children but was released on bond.

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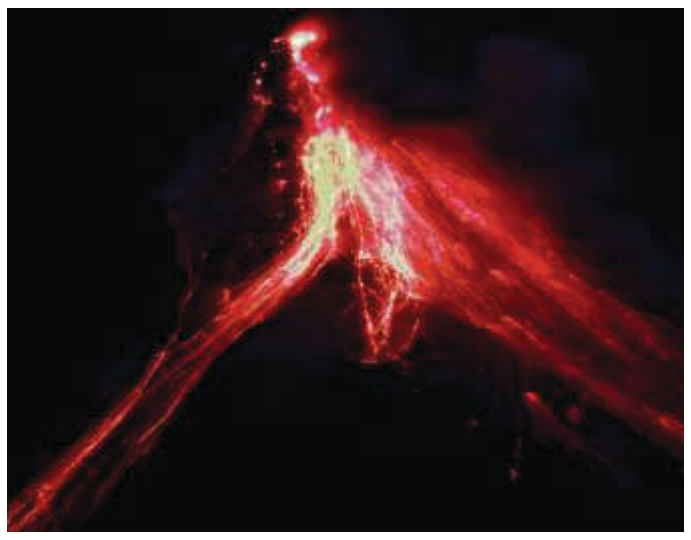

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Nearly 15,000 people have left the area around the Mayon volcano, fearing that the worst is yet to come.

Volcano evacuations continuing

SANTO DOMINGO, Philippines — Truckloads of villagers on Tuesday fled Philippine communities close to the erupting Mayon volcano, traumatized by the sight of red-hot lava flowing down its crater and fearful of sporadic blasts of ash.

Nearly 15,000 people have left the mostly poor farming communities, within a 3.7-mile radius of Mayon's crater in northeastern Albay province, in forced evacuations since volcanic activity spiked last week. Albay's governor extended the danger zone by more than half a mile on Monday and asked thousands of residents to be ready to move anytime.

But many opted to flee from the expanded danger zone even before the mandatory evacuation order.

"There's lava and ashfall already," Fidela Banzuela, 61, said from a navy truck where she, her daughter, grandchildren, and neighbors clambered up after leaving their home in San Fernando village close to Mayon. "If the volcano explodes, we won't see anything because it would be so dark."

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US lawmakers ask Biden to punish S. Africa over Russia

By John Eligon
NEW YORK TIMES

A bipartisan group of American lawmakers has asked the Biden administration to punish South Africa for what it sees as the country's support of Russia's war in Ukraine by moving a major trade conference scheduled to be held in South Africa this year to another country.

The request, made in a letter sent last week, is the first concrete effort at retaliation by members of the US government over the growing view in Washington that South Africa's relationship with Russia is moving in a direction that threatens America's national interests.

The letter, obtained by The New York Times, centers on an annual forum for the African Growth and Opportunity Act, or AGOA. The act provides duty-free access to the US trade market for about three dozen African nations. South Africa, one of the continent's most developed economies, is its biggest beneficiary, exporting about $3 billion worth of goods to the United States through AGOA last year.

US officials have said intelligence suggests that South Africa may have helped supply Russia with arms for the war. South African officials say the country is "nonaligned" on the conflict, and deny selling weapons to Russia.

American lawmakers and the Biden administration have been at odds over how to respond to the suspicion.

While Republicans and Democrats on Capitol Hill have said it is time for South Africa, usually a strong US ally, to face consequences, the White House has taken a wait-and-see approach to allow President Cyril Ramaphosa to fulfill his promise to investigate whether arms were indeed supplied.

The AGOA forum, which alternates locations between the United States and an African nation each year, is designed to deepen diplomatic and economic ties between the United States and the continent.

Beyond the forum, the more serious concern for South Africa is that it might lose its access to AGOA altogether, which would be a painful blow to a country that relies on the United States as its second-largest trading partner. The lawmakers' letter described South Africa as "in danger of losing AGOA benefits."

The requirements for joining AGOA, which targets mostly low-income nations, are set out by Congress. Federal regulations empower the president to add or remove countries from AGOA, a process that is administered through the Office of the US Trade Representative. The trade representative also coordinates the annual forum.

South Africa's relationship with the United States has grown increasingly tense since Russia started the war.

US officials say they do not begrudge South Africa the right to maintain a friendship with Russia or to refuse to condemn the invasion. But they say that South Africa may have crossed a line and provided material support for the war. They point to a Russian cargo ship under US sanctions, the Lady R, that docked at a naval base near Cape Town last December.

As evidence that South Africa is not neutral on the war, the US lawmakers also pointed to joint military exercises that it held with Russia and China in February; a Russian cargo plane under US sanctions that was allowed to land at a South African air force base in April; and South Africa's plan to host an international summit known as BRICS in August that President Vladimir Putin of Russia may attend.

The letter was signed by Senator Chris Coons, a Delaware Democrat and a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee; and by Senator Jim Risch of Idaho, the top Republican on the committee. It was also signed by the top Republican and Democratic lawmakers on the House's foreign affairs committee.

In Haiti, an effort to reunite families

30,000 children live in private orphanages

By Dánica Coto
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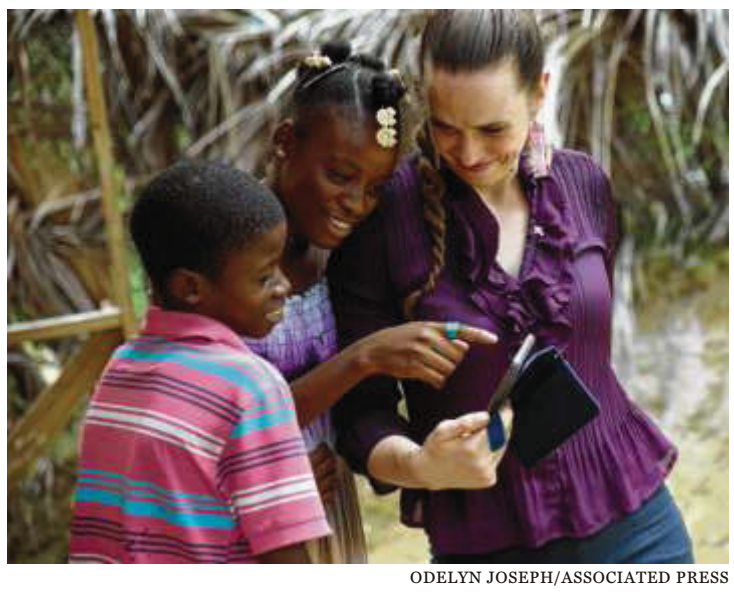
SAINT-LOUIS-DU-SUD, Haiti — Mylouise Veillard was 10 when her mother dropped her off at an orphanage in southern Haiti and promised her a better life. For three years, Mylouise slept on a concrete floor. When she was thirsty, she walked to a community well and hauled heavy buckets of water herself. Meals were scarce, and she lost weight. She worried for her younger brother, who struggled even more than she did at the facility.

It's a familiar story among the estimated 30,000 Haitian children who live in hundreds of orphanages where reports of forced labor, trafficking, and physical and sexual abuse are rampant. In recent months, Haiti's government has stepped up efforts to remove hundreds of these children and reunite them with their parents or relatives as part of a massive push to shut down the institutions, the vast majority of which are privately owned.

Social workers are leading the endeavor, sometimes armed with only a picture and a vague description of the neighborhood where the child once lived. It's an arduous task in a country of more than 11 million people with no residential phonebooks and where many families have no physical address or digital footprint.

"They're almost like detectives," said Morgan Wienberg, cofounder and executive director of Little Footprints, Big Steps, one of several nonprofits that help reunite children and families. "It definitely comes down to a lot of persistence."

The social workers fan out through cities, towns, and villages. They walk up hills, navigate mazes of tin-roof shacks, and knock on doors. With a smile, they hold up a picture and ask whether anyone recognizes the child.



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Siblings Mylouise Veillard (center) and Myson looked at pictures with Morgan Wienberg in Saint-Louis-du-Sud, Haiti.

They find that some orphanages relocated children without notifying their parents, or families were forced to flee violence in their community and lost touch with their kids.

On occasion, social worker Jean Rigot Joseph said he'll show children pictures of landmarks to see if they remember where they lived. If he locates the parents, he'll first determine whether they're open to reunification before revealing he found their child.

Like more than 80 percent of children in Haiti's orphanages, Veillard and her brother are considered "poverty orphans." Haiti is the poorest country in the Western hemisphere, with about 60 percent of the population making less than $2 a day. When parents can't afford to feed their children, they temporarily place them in orphanages, where they believe they'll receive better care.

"When parents give up their kids to orphanages, they really don't see it as giving their children up forever," Wienberg said.

Roughly 30,000 children out of some 4 million nationwide live in about 750 orphanages across Haiti, according to government figures. Many were built after the devastating 2010 earthquake that killed at least 200,000 people. In the months that followed, the number of orphanages in Haiti skyrocketed by 150 percent, leading to an increase in trafficking, forced labor, and abuse.

A 2018 report by Haiti's Institute of Social Welfare and Research and others found that just 35 of 754 orphanages — less than 5 percent — met minimum standards and were allowed to operate. Meanwhile, 580 orphanages received the lowest score, meaning the government should order them closed.

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> MORGAN WIENBERG, *cofounder of Little Footprints, Big Steps, about social workers*

In response to the report, Haiti's government has banned construction of new orphanages and shut down existing ones. But closing orphanages can be dangerous. Government officials have been threatened or forced to go into hiding as owners seek to keep generous donations flowing from abroad; US faith-based donors are the largest funders of orphanages in Haiti, according to Lumos, a nonprofit that works to reunite children in orphanages worldwide with their families.

There is no group or association that speaks on behalf of orphanages in Haiti since the vast majority are individually owned.

Homes are a necessity for children whose parents cannot feed them or protect them from violence, said Sister Paesie, who founded the religious organization Kizito Family in Port-au-Prince. It houses and offers free schooling to some 2,000 children from impoverished slums.

"The idea is to remove them from violence," she said, and parents are invited to visit.

Gangs control up to 80 percent of Port-au-Prince, according to the UN, and have been blamed for a surge in killings and kidnappings, especially in areas where children at Kizito Family are from.

Sister Paesie condemned orphanages that are linked to the lucrative adoption business.

"It gives rise to so much abuse instead of trying to help the parents, which we always try to do," she said.

But reuniting children with parents is hard when they've fled violence and have no home, she said.

"In the last month, I have seen so many mothers sleeping on the streets with their children," she said. "I have dozens of mothers asking me every single day to take their children because they have no food to give them."

Reunification efforts have been successful in more rural parts of Haiti where gangs don't have as much control and families can grow their food.

In rural southern Haiti, some 330 children are now living again with their families. When that day arrived for Mylouise, now 17, and her brother, they were so excited they ran out of the orphanage and left their sandals behind, recalled Renèse Estève, their mother.

India, Pakistan gird for cyclone

Thousands are evacuated ahead of Thursday storm

By Sibi Arasu and Munir Ahmed
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BENGALURU, India — Pakistan's army and civil authorities planned to evacuate 80,000 people to safety along the country's southern coast before the arrival of Cyclone Biparjoy, and thousands living in low-lying regions of western India already have sought shelter from the tropical storm system, officials said Tuesday.

The cyclone forecast to slam ashore on Thursday is expected to be the most powerful to hit western India and Pakistan since 2021. On Tuesday morning, Biparjoy was in the Arabian Sea about 300 miles south of Karachi, the capital of Sindh province, Pakistan's National Disaster Management Authority said.

The cyclone was packing maximum sustained winds of 111 miles per hour, according to the India Meteorological Department. It is projected to make landfall near Jakhau port in the Kutch district of India's Gujarat state.

Residents living within 3 miles of the coast in Gujarat were evacuated, and those living within 6.2 miles may have to move out over the next two days, officials said.

C. C. Patel, director of relief in the Gujarat state government, said 20,580 people from Gujarat's coastal districts already were moved "to relief camps where they will be provided with food, drinking water" and other essentials.

Authorities also banned gatherings on beaches and along shorelines during the cyclone. All ports, including two of India's largest, Mundra and Kandla, were shut down as a precaution.

Government officials in Gujarat told the Press Trust of India news agency that one woman was killed and her husband injured after strong winds caused a tree to fall on their motorcycle.

In the neighboring state of Maharasthra, four boys were washed away by a high tide off Mumbai's Juhu Beach on Monday evening. One body was recovered, and search and rescue operations were ongoing for the three others, officials said. Authorities had closed Mumbai's beaches during high tide.

Fishermen in both countries were asked to stay ashore and move their boats to safer locations.

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said he chaired a meeting to review preparedness plans. "Our teams are ensuring safe evacuations from vulnerable areas and ensuring maintenance of essential services. Praying for everyone's safety and well-being," he tweeted Monday night.

In Islamabad, Pakistani Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif also chaired a meeting on preparations for the approaching cyclone. He asked authorities to provide food, shelter, and other aid to displaced families and to complete the evacuation of all those at risk.

Authorities backed by the military have evacuated about 45,000 people from coastal towns in the past two days.

Another 35,000 were expected to be moved before the cyclone's hits land on Thursday. However, strong winds already were reported from some of the southern coastal areas.

Pakistan's climate change minister, Sherry Rehman, said during a news conference Tuesday in Islamabad that the cyclone was expected to hit some of the districts where floods last summer left 1,739 people dead and caused $30 billion in losses.

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Amid overdose crisis, dispute over how to classify fentanyl counterparts

By David Ovalle and Rachel Roubein
WASHINGTON POST

Federal authorities in 2018 temporarily placed all substances related to fentanyl in a category reserved for the most dangerous controlled substances, an effort to stymie drug traffickers. Five years later, the number of overdose deaths linked to synthetic opioids is as high as ever, and critics warn that efforts to make the classification permanent will entrench harsh sentencing laws.

With frustration mounting about the toll of fentanyl, the debate has sparked clashing political approaches. On Tuesday, Senator Cory Booker, Democrat of New Jersey, was planning to introduce legislation extending the temporary measure for up to two years for existing fentanyl-related substances and for up to four years when new analogs emerge. The measure would give time to complete the bill's required scientific evaluation of fentanyl's chemical cousins, allowing for the classification to be changed or removed if the substances are less dangerous or have no potential to be abused.

Booker's legislation contrasts with the Republican-backed Halt Fentanyl Act, which passed the House with bipartisan support in May and would make the classification permanent.

"Placing fentanyl analogs on the list of scheduled substances without corresponding efforts to address the root causes of the opioid epidemic isn't turning the tide of the crisis because as long as there's demand and money to be made, cartels will continue to produce these drugs," Booker said in a statement, pointing to his legislation as the path forward.

On the other side, Republican state attorneys general are urging the Senate to permanently place all chemical substances related to fentanyl in the most restricted category, aiming to bolster law enforcement's ability to crack down on an array of deadly synthetic opioids and substances that may emerge. It's unclear whether the Senate will take up the Halt Fentanyl Act.

If the measure doesn't pass, legal experts say, drug dealers won't exactly be getting a pass: Authorities can still use a decades-old law that allows for the prosecution of dealers who traffic in analogs that are similar to dangerous drugs. Similarly, many states have laws criminalizing drugs with the same effects as fentanyl.

"The government already has plenty of tools in its toolbox to address fentanyl analogs," said Liz Komar, an attorney for the Sentencing Project, a Washington, D.C., nonprofit that advocates for more humane sentences and opposes the Halt Fentanyl Act. "We know harsher sentences are not the answer to stopping overdoses."

The friction over the bill reflects wider frustrations about fentanyl and related opioids, which have largely displaced pain pills and heroin as catalysts of the country's overdose death crisis. Fentanyl remains a political flash point, with Republicans blaming President Biden for failing to secure the southern border from drugs smuggled by Mexican cartels.

In a June 1 letter, 23 Republican attorneys general urged Senate majority leader Charles E. Schumer, Democrat of New York, and Senate minority leader Mitch McConnell, Republican of Kentucky, to make permanent the temporary designation of all fentanyl-related substances, which is set to expire at the end of 2024.

The measure passed 289-133 in the House with support from 74 Democrats, many considered moderates or from swing districts that could respond negatively to a vote against a bill aimed at curbing fentanyl analogs. Biden gave a nod of support for two of the bill's key provisions, which seemed to give cover to vulnerable House Democrats to vote yes. But the legislation could face an uphill battle in the Democratic-controlled Senate. Schumer's office didn't say whether the Senate would take up the legislation.

Illicit fentanyl, concocted first in clandestine labs in China and now Mexico, has flooded US streets, as have the drug's chemical cousins, compounds similar in molecular structure and often just as deadly, if not more so. In what law enforcement has long described as a perpetual game of whack-a-mole, underground chemists tweak the compounds to try to stay ahead of the law.

Over the years, the Drug Enforcement Administration has classified as Schedule I — the highest level — many analogs with names such as acetyl fentanyl, para-fluorofentanyl, and valeryl fentanyl.

The DEA categorizes drugs into five "schedules," taking into account the risk of abuse and their value as medical treatment. Schedule I includes heroin, LSD, and ecstasy, drugs deemed to have no acceptable medical use and prone to abuse. Fentanyl is classified as Schedule II, a category that includes cocaine and methamphetamine, because doctors can prescribe legal fentanyl as a painkiller.

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Plan.

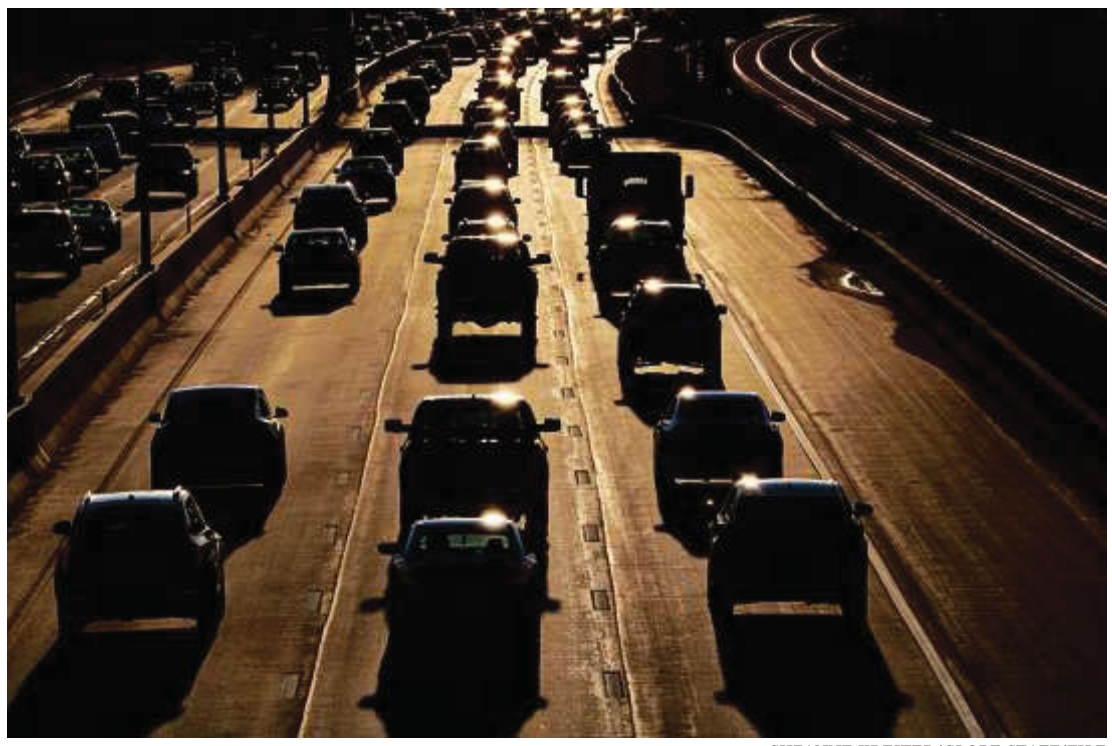
Those involved in the effort to save the funds hailed the sprint as an example of efficient and cooperative government. But the episode highlighted just how much money the federal government pumped into states during the pandemic that couldn't be spent immediately despite the great need that existed. And it showed another truism for state budgeting: Congress can always change its mind.

"Federal promises are not done until the check is written," said Adie Tomer, a senior fellow at the left-leaning think tank Brookings. "It's easy to act fast, it takes more patience to be thoughtful about spending — but one always has to have a plan B in place in case Congress changes its mood."

Massachusetts was one of only three states to have assigned less than half of its funds, along with Michigan and Louisiana, and had the seventh-highest dollar amount outstanding at $81.2 million. Thirty-five states had already spent 90 percent or more of their funds.

The funds were targeted as part of the debt ceiling negotiations, in which Republicans insisted on spending cuts to go with raising the nation's borrowing limit. Biden agreed to Republicans' demands to pull back all unassigned funds from a number of COVID-era programs, some of which had ended. That included more than $2 billion from highway programs, according to a White House document obtained by NPR, and the rescissions took effect immediately once the bill was signed.

As lawmakers drew near a vote on the deal, the Federal Highway Administration sent a chart of funds at risk of being returned to federal coffers to contacts in Congress, where it was quickly circulated by lawmakers ahead of the approaching deadline. That included at least four Massachusetts lawmakers, whose offices immediately forwarded the information to Healey.



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All four projects getting funds were identified in 2022 as major priorities by MassDOT.

Republicans were unhappy but unsurprised to hear that the funds they had targeted were protected at the urging of the Biden administration.

"The entire agreement was a sham, anyway, so can you violate a sham?" said Wisconsin Senator Ron Johnson, who voted against the deal.

South Dakota Senator Mike Rounds, who voted for the agreement, said the original plan to redirect unspent funds was "reasonable," and this episode could make further negotiations more difficult. But he also said it was to be expected.

"It's unfortunate, but that's the way the game is played," Rounds said. "We can make the rules, but they play the game."

The state's budget chief, Matthew Gorzkowicz, acknowledged the recent spend "came down to the wire." But he said Congress originally designated the funds to last until fall 2024, and the state had planned based on that timeline to make sure each project met federal eligibility requirements.

The four chosen projects happened to be far enough along in the design process to meet the requirements in the original bill for using the funds.

"I think it's pretty good given the fact that it was throwing us off our game plan," he said. "We were put on our heels a little bit, and we've had to scramble."

State and federal lawmakers echoed the sentiment.

Democratic state Representative Carole Fiola, whose Fall River district includes one of the projects getting an infusion of money, said putting dollars toward existing projects was "a very positive way to take advantage of using those funds."

Democrat Representative Jake Auchincloss of Newton, whose district includes Fall River, hailed the money coming to a project there to redevelop the waterfront as an investment that "significantly moves the project forward."

"This is Team Massachusetts in action," he said of the congressional delegation's effort to alert the state and then MassDOT's ability to respond.

The federal dollars also touch a longtime project on the Charlton and Oxford border, where a 2015 head-on collision prompted the state to address the dangerous curves on parts of Route 20, among other fixes.

State Representative Paul Frost, whose district includes the project, applauded the state for expeditiously allocating the money.

"It would be a shame that Congress would pull the rug out from underneath our state without any sort of fair warning," the Auburn Republican said.

"If we lost the $81 million, that would have hurt."

In the Hopkinton and Westborough area, the funds will contribute to a nearly $400 million project aimed at taking on the notoriously dangerous Interstate 90 and Interstate 495 interchange — "one of the worst traffic nightmares in the Commonwealth," said state Senator Jamie Eldridge, a Marlborough Democrat. The junction handles approximately half of all trucking entering Eastern Massachusetts, according to MassDOT, and the current design has resulted in crashes at rates twice the statewide average.

The state has spent or obligated at least $124.5 billion out of $126.8 billion in COVID

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dover border, a $160 million project that's out to bid will widen and improve the Interstate 495 bridge over Route 28. Representative Lori Trahan, a Democrat from Westford whose Merrimack Valley district will benefit from the project, called the span "a critical corridor" and said the project "will improve safety and traffic congestion for drivers."

In Fall River, funds will go to a project to improve the Route 79-Davol Street corridor and connect it to the Taunton Riverfront. The estimated $125 million project is just beginning construction after a construction firm was selected last year.

Auchincloss said the project will ultimately mean more affordable housing and lifestyle improvements in the area.

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money it was given by Congress, according to a tracker maintained by the nonpartisan think tank Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget.

The highway money in question was originally approved in late 2020, with Massachusetts getting $150.8 million to spend through September 2024. Tomer said Congress chose a particularly flexible program of highway funding in which to put the major COVID-relief investment, which may have been one reason Massachusetts decided to hang on to most of it rather than spend it immediately.

But the sudden alert from Washington that the debt deal would significantly move up the deadline to commit the funds forced Massachusetts' hand earlier.

The state said it had developed a portfolio of projects with the 2024 expiration date in mind, but shifted plans when the debt limit agreement was reached.

"MassDOT pivoted to obligate those funds immediately," a spokesperson for the agency, Jacqueline Goddard, said in a statement.

Phineas Baxandall, policy director at the left-leaning think tank Massachusetts Budget and Policy Center, said there are likely "reasonable" explanations for why the state hadn't tapped the funds yet.

"But it's something how a deadline could move folks," he said. "It would be interesting to know how long it would have taken if not for this deadline."

Auchincloss said the state needed to wait because during the pandemic, a workforce shortage, and supply chain constraints meant the state would have risked increasing the cost of its own projects by bidding too many against each other.

"Most of the time in public works, you've got a shortage of money and a surplus of projects. . . . During the depths of the pandemic, we actually had a surplus of money and a deficit of workable projects," Auchincloss said. "It was literally not possible to spend all the money at once."

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Trump's federal court battle begins

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not ask for travel restrictions often imposed on those accused of serious crimes, and prosecutors seemed willing to grant him generous bond terms, without demanding cash bail.

Trump did not speak in the courtroom except for whispered chatter with his two new lawyers before the arraignment, and asides to them once it started.

When asked for his plea, one of his lawyers, Todd Blanche, spoke for Trump.

"We most certainly enter a plea of not guilty," he said.

Trump has been charged with 37 criminal counts covering seven different violations of federal law, alone or in conjunction with Nauta.

The former president was charged with 31 counts of willfully retaining national defense information under the Espionage Act and one count of making false statements stemming from his interactions with federal investigators and one of his lawyers.

Trump and Nauta were jointly charged with single counts of conspiracy to obstruct justice, withholding government documents, corruptly concealing records, concealing a document in a federal investigation, and scheming to conceal their efforts. Nauta was charged with a separate count of making false statements to investigators.

Trump's case has been assigned to Judge Aileen M. Cannon, who earlier handled a lawsuit he filed challenging the FBI's court-authorized search of his Florida estate and club, Mar-a-Lago. A ruling in Trump's favor in that case by Cannon, who was nominated by Trump, was later overturned by an appeals court that was sharply critical of her legal reasoning.

But Tuesday's hearing was overseen by Magistrate Judge Jonathan Goodman. Magistrate judges handle many of the routine and procedural aspects of court cases.

Nauta was unable to enter a plea because he lacked local counsel. Goodman set a hearing for June 27 for Nauta to enter a plea.

Trump and Nauta were ordered by Goodman not to discuss their criminal case, even though the two work closely and see each other practically every day. Goodman said that any discussions related to the case must go through their lawyers.

The restrictions — which do not apply to other topics of conversation — are common for codefendants in a criminal matter, but they could be particularly difficult to uphold given that Nauta's job is to follow the former president through his days, attending to various needs.

To underscore Nauta's proximity to Trump, Nauta was riding with him from Trump's club, Doral, to the courthouse for Tuesday's hearing.

The two men talk frequently and have for most of the past two years; Nauta first served as a valet in the White House and now serves as an aide to Trump in his post-presidential life. The former president tends to treat his close personal aides as sounding boards for all manner of topics.

Trump is hardly known for his restraint under typical circumstances, but especially when told to do something by a person in a position of authority.

An edict not to discuss a case that has consumed Trump's thinking for weeks poses even more of a challenge.

The same restriction on the defendants' communications was also applied to witnesses in the case, a list of which the government is expected to draw up.

That presents a similar challenge to the situation with Nauta: A number of Trump's advisers, current and former Mar-a-Lago staff members, and even some of his lawyers have been interviewed as part of the investigation.

The exchange also provided a glimpse into what has not yet become public about the government's investigation — namely that a significant number of witnesses in the case, working on the president's campaign, security detail, and personal staff remain unknown to the defense.

One of the prosecutors, David Harbach, conceded that the "elephant in the room" was that the Justice Department had not been able to produce a comprehensive list of witnesses.

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Former president Donald Trump waved as he visited the Cuban restaurant Versailles in Miami after his arraignment. As the first American former president to stand accused of federal crimes, Trump faces the possibility of years in prison.

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The motorcade carrying Trump arrived at the Wilkie D. Ferguson Jr. US Courthouse.

Trump's day highlighted the challenges of being both a defendant in a criminal case that could send him to prison and a presidential candidate.

And it demonstrated that Trump has no intention of muting himself as the case plays out or to abandon his instinct to fight as much in the court of public opinion as in the court of law.

Trump posted several times on his social media platform throughout the day, many of them half-sentences in which he denounced the case against him.

In one post, he attacked Smith as a "thug," while in others he kept up his long-running efforts to frame the inquiries as a partisan effort to prevent him from facing President Joe Biden next year.

"ON MY WAY TO COURTHOUSE. WITCH HUNT!!!" he wrote at one point.

Once the court proceedings ended, Trump headed to a campaign-style stop in the Little Havana neighborhood of Miami, where his support has always been strong among Cuban Americans, and especially older Cuban exiles. "Donald Trump," the crowd cheered. "Viva el presidente!"

He stopped at Versailles, the self-proclaimed "world's most famous Cuban restaurant," where he greeted a crowd of supporters, including a rabbi and a nondenominational minister who prayed on his behalf.

He then boarded his jet for a flight back to New Jersey, where he was holding a fundraiser, with donors who raise at least $100,000 for his campaign invited to a "candlelight dinner," and planned to give remarks at his golf club in Bedminster.

The 49-page indictment of Trump and Nauta laid out in vivid detail Trump's casual, at times haphazard handling of highly sensitive documents from his White House. It said those documents included details of sensitive nuclear programs, intelligence on foreign adversaries, Pentagon battle plans, and other documents that detailed the country's potential vulnerabilities to military attack.

In some cases, prosecutors said, he displayed them to people without security clearances and stored them in a haphazard manner at Mar-a-Lago, even stacking boxes in a bathroom at his private club and residence in Florida.

Tuesday's hearing also marked a milestone — it was the first time Trump and Smith, adversaries in a legal battle with enormous implications, crossed paths publicly.

After the hearing ended, Trump took a brief look over his shoulder at the reporters who crammed the courtroom, before exiting through a side door.

Smith and his prosecutors left through a door on the opposite side of the courtroom about a minute later.

Judge appointed by him could have role in stalling proceedings

By Charlie Savage
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Jack Smith, the special counsel handling the documents investigation into former president Donald Trump, vowed to seek "a speedy trial." But that will be up to Judge Aileen Cannon, who will wield considerable power over its calendar, evidence, and jury.

Last year, Cannon, a Trump appointee, briefly disrupted the documents investigation by issuing rulings favorable to him when he challenged the FBI's search of his Florida club and estate, Mar-a-Lago, before a conservative appeals court ruled that she never had legal authority to intervene.

It remains to be seen how Cannon will handle her second turn in the spotlight. The scope of her role before the trial also is unclear: She was not presiding over Trump's initial hearing Tuesday, and could refer some pretrial motions to a magistrate judge who works under her.

Slowing the calendar: Trump has long pursued a strategy of trying to delay legal proceedings against him to run out the clock. If the trial can be put off until after the 2024 presidential election, he or another Republican nominee could enter office and shut down the case.

"I think the Department of Justice will do everything in their power to bring the case as soon as possible, but it will be a challenge to bring it before we are well into the primaries," said Brandon Van Grack, a former federal prosecutor who has worked on complex cases involving national security and classified material.

He added, "These issues are incredibly important to understand because we are talking a case that could influence an election — and more than just the general election."

Classified evidence: Before the trial begins, there is almost certain to be extensive fights behind closed doors over the use of classified evidence, a matter governed by the Classified Information Procedures Act, or CIPA. The law was intended to reduce the opportunities for so-called graymail in criminal cases involving national security, in which defendants threaten to expose sensitive secrets unless prosecutors drop charges against them.

One potential issue: whether the government has to publicly expose all 31 classified documents that are the basis of the 31 counts against Trump for illegally retaining national-security secrets. Their contents are key evidence for whether they qualify as the type of information protected by the Espionage Act.

If Smith obtained the intelligence community's consent to use those 31 documents based on assurances that he would keep them from broader public dissemination, any rulings by Cannon requiring them to be shown in open court could lead the government to instead drop some of the charges based on those documents.

Trump's defense lawyers are also likely to argue that the government is obligated to turn over related classified material in the "discovery" phase, and they may want to use some of those records in open court, too. Either side can appeal Cannon's decisions about those matters before the trial, creating additional opportunities for delay.

Prosecutorial misconduct claims: Trump and his legal team have signaled that they will attack prosecutors and investigators. That could mean pretrial motions to dismiss the charges based on any allegations that prosecutors committed misconduct like improperly pressuring witnesses, vindictive prosecution, and selective prosecution.

It is routine for defendants to make such claims, and it is routine for judges to briefly look at and reject them. The standards for finding a violation are very high. But if Cannon entertained such claims, she could demand information from prosecutors, hold hearings, and essentially put the investigators on trial before Trump faces any jury.

Jury selection: Prosecutors and defense lawyers will have a certain number of "peremptory" challenges in which they can block someone from being on the jury without stating a basis. But they also have unlimited challenges to potential jurors "for cause" if they can point to signs that those people are biased. Cannon will have the power to accept or reject any "for cause" challenges, potentially tilting the composition of the jury.

Rule 29 motions to acquit: After the prosecution and defense present evidence, the defense can make a so-called Rule 29 motion asking Cannon to acquit Trump on one or more of the charges, arguing that the evidence from prosecutors was deficient.

She could do so in two ways: acquit Trump right away or let the matter go to the jury and then enter an acquittal only if the jury instead wanted to convict.

TRUMP INDICTED AGAIN

In Mich., Reagan's message is no longer resonating

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victory of a different Republican, Ronald Reagan, when white, working-class voters on both sides of the political aisle flocked to his genial brand of ideological conservatism. The subsequent recognition of "Reagan Democrats" forever cast the county as a bellwether. Since then, Macomb has backed Trump twice, embracing his anti-immigrant and anti-free trade rhetoric, which underscores just how hard it might be to dislodge him.

"I don't think they're Reagan Democrats anymore," said David Dulio, a distinguished professor of political science at Oakland University, in nearby Rochester, Mich. "I think they're Trump Republicans."

What's more, the fealty to Trump is a warning sign to his primary opponents who are hoping to ride the Reaganesque appeals that once worked so well here to the White House.

"Not interested," Pam Pfeuffer said of those contenders as she made her way back to her car after the meeting. "I liked Reagan, but I need someone who's going to *do* something."

The clearest and most Reaganesque messaging in the field comes from former vice president Mike Pence, who launched his own presidential campaign last Wednesday with 1980s-style visual branding and a campaign video that quoted Reagan himself.

"President Reagan described us as a shining city on the hill and above all he called on Americans to renew optimism, and believe in themselves again, to believe in each other," Pence said, speaking over swelling music. At his first campaign event in Iowa, he told supporters he had joined the Reagan revolution "and never looked back."

He is hoping to appeal to the same group of Republicans who powered Reagan's victory, a so-called three-legged stool of Christian conservatives, fiscal conservatives, and foreign policy hawks, although it is not clear how willingly those blocs would combine.

"Reagan has become a revered historical figure, but he's not a particularly relevant figure in today's GOP," said Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster.

"Trump has completely redefined the GOP, so that everyone is evaluated in relationship with Trump and their attitude about him."

For Doetzel, the activist in the sparkly Trump shirt, Pence's relationship to Trump was summed up in one word: "Traitor."

"I will never vote for Mike Pence," she said, complaining about his refusal to hold up the certification of the 2020 election as Trump had pressed him to.

Pence is not the only candidate invoking the 40th president. Senator Tim Scott of South Carolina quoted the same "city on a hill" line when announcing his own presidential run in May with a sunny optimism that has led multiple pundits to compare him to Reagan. And Governor Glenn Youngkin of Virginia, who has said he is not running for president, spurred new speculation about his ambitions when he released a campaign-style video of him praising Reagan while speaking at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library; another presidential hopeful, Governor Ron DeSantis of Florida, also made sure to stop and visit the Reagan library back in March.

"Oh yeah, they want to connect themselves, they want to be like Reagan, they want to go to the conservative base," Mark Forton, chair of the Macomb County GOP, said dismissively. It was Reagan, Forton said, who inspired him to get involved in politics, back when he was an auto worker in the 1980s, and he proudly voted for Reagan back then.

But much has changed since.

"In my view," he said, "Trump is much better than Reagan."

A glimpse of the committee meeting Forton presided over offers a window into the priorities of a slice of the Republican Party apparatus in 2023 as it faces the very real possibility of choosing a presidential nominee who is under indictment and facing possible prison time.

"We all know Donald Trump *is* the president of the United States and he was elected in 2020," Forton said early in the meeting. "If we hope to win in 2024, between now and then, we must fix our elections system."

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> DAVID DULIO, *distinguished professor of political science, Oakland University*

Forton also accused Biden of "selling our secrets to the communist red Chinese." Someone was selling shirts reading "Freedom first, responsibility second, safety third," and stapled printouts on the members' chairs suggested that drug "cartels may have a role in election manipulation."

In recent years, Michigan Republicans have been beset by infighting, while Democrats notched significant victories in the 2018 midterms, won the state in the 2020 presidential election, and again won up and down the ballot in the 2022 midterms. Trump won Macomb County in both 2016 and 2020, but in a possible sign of shifting political winds, Governor Gretchen Whitmer, a Democrat, won the county in 2022.

"You get variation. Swing," said Stanley Greenberg, the Democratic pollster who first wrote about the Reagan Democrats who put Macomb in Reagan's column.

At one point last year, the Macomb GOP split into two different factions, with Forton leading the group that believes Trump is the rightful president and a second group that had the backing of the state party. Forton ultimately emerged victorious. And, the state party is now controlled by Kristina Karamo, an election denier who lost her race for secretary of state last fall. She has blasted efforts by former governor Rick Snyder, a Republican from the party establishment, to raise money for Republicans running for the state Legislature.

"Macomb is kind of a microcosm of the struggles the Republican Party is having today in many ways," Dulio, the professor, said.

A gathering of party activists is not necessarily representative of all voters here; to that point a more moderate Republican, John James, currently represents the area in Congress. But the party faithful can help select delegates and rules that can help shape a primary; and recent changes to the GOP's nomination process in Michigan could give these activists even more power come 2024.

"Whoever's indicting Donald Trump now, they will be the ones going to jail in the end. This is all coming to a head now," Forton said. "It's going to explode."

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In 2016, a voter brought a Ronald Reagan campaign prop from 1980 to the final campaign event of Donald Trump and Mike Pence in Grand Rapids, Mich.

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Communities use federal funds to boost public housing

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ing sources, some cities and towns are already on track to build hundreds of new units, and thousands more could follow. Housing leaders say the move couldn't be more timely, amid a deepening housing crisis in which low-income homes are in particularly short supply.

"For the first time in 30 years, we finally have the tools at our disposal to build more of what I see as some of the most valuable housing in the US," said Kenzie Bok, executive director of the Boston Housing Authority. "Hopefully this is the beginning of a shift in the way we view public housing in this country."

In a twist, the new program takes advantage of the cap Congress imposed in the late 1990s, known as the Faircloth Amendment. While the rule limited the number of federally subsidized public housing units in any given city, it also obligated the federal government to help pay for that amount. And because the United States has lost so much public housing — to demolition, redevelopment, or deterioration — in the years since, HUD estimates that housing authorities nationwide are around 235,000 units below their caps. In Massachusetts that number is around 6,000.

There have been efforts in recent years to do away with the cap altogether, including a repeal of the Faircloth Amendment that passed the House in 2020, but those have all fizzled. Instead, HUD created this new program, which, in practice, allows housing authorities to access more generous rental subsidies to underwrite construction of new units. (Cities have always legally been able to build back to their cap but had no money to do so.)

In Massachusetts, roughly one-fourth of those available units are in Cambridge. The city is using the subsidies to add 24 studios to a 38-unit federally funded building being redeveloped near Central Square, and another 100 units to a 175-unit property in North Cambridge.

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Cambridge is adding 24 studios to a 38-unit federally funded building being redeveloped near Central Square.

Getting to this point requires housing officials to navigate an administrative obstacle course. Essentially, the federal government allows housing authorities to convert traditional public housing subsidies, known as Section 9, to another type of subsidies, known as Section 8. The former pay relatively little per unit, making them harder to use to back a construction loan; the latter, by contrast, pay more, enough to repay a financing package that usually involves multiple sources as well as help maintain units in the long term.

The financing "was not easy," said Michael Johnston, executive director of the Cambridge Housing Authority. While the deal for those construction projects has yet to be finalized, "we believe we've figured out how to make it work."

For example, those higher Section 8 subsidies will be used to secure the estimated $213 million needed to build the North Cambridge project. The financing package is a hodgepodge that includes $80 million from state bonds and $7 million in subsidies and loans from the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development, with the remainder of the money coming from private loans, made possible by those Section 8 vouchers, and federal low-income housing tax credits.

There is another wrinkle in federal regulations that Cambridge is planning to exploit to build yet more new housing — just not in Cambridge.

Housing authorities are legally allowed to operate anywhere in the state, not just in their home communities, so long as they comply with local approval processes and zoning rules. So, the authority in Cambridge — where costs are high and housing is already fairly dense — is in talks with nearby communities such as Medford to build there as well.

The creative approach comes at a time when deeply affordable housing is needed more than ever.

Public housing serves some of the state's poorest residents and limits what tenants pay more so than many other forms of affordable housing. Rents in those units are typically set at around 30 percent of a household's monthly income, or around $360 for a household earning $14,444 a year, the national average for public housing residents, according to the Urban Institute.

Meanwhile, housing advocates are looking to European countries, some of which have millions of government-owned and operated housing units, for ideas to address the housing crisis.

But after decades of watching their public housing stocks decline, even the notion that US cities could build more is something of a revolution.

The city of Boston, for instance, is about 2,900 units below its cap, more than all the apartments in Charlestown's Bunker Hill and South Boston's Mary Ellen McCormack complexes, two of the largest in the city, combined. And Bok said the city intends to eventually build "every single one of those units," once the BHA figures out the best way to do so.

Their first effort, she hopes, will be a redevelopment of the West End branch of the Boston Public Library to include housing on the upper floors, with 20 units reserved for new public housing.

Beyond that, it will be trial and error. The city may find success folding public housing units into larger mixed-use complexes, Bok said, with the private helping cover development costs. Or it could build entirely new public housing complexes with the help of grants, perhaps on vacant parcels across the city.

Regardless, it will likely be slower going than the efforts in Cambridge, because the housing authority there has a special status from HUD that allows it to devote more of its available vouchers to specific projects. Boston does not have that status, so working out the mix of funding will be more challenging.

The housing authority in Holyoke also has that special status and is planning to build more units. Holyoke is only 189 units under its Faircloth cap, and there are preliminary talks about adding 30 to a bigger redevelopment project. Beyond that, there aren't any official plans.

"It's a work in progress," said Matthew Mainville, executive director of the Holyoke Housing Authority. "But we see the potential."

Brookline, by contrast, doesn't have the special status, so it will be more challenging to finance any of the 150 units it can build under its federal cap.

"This is not necessarily a slam dunk for every housing authority," said Brookline executive director Michael Alperin. "The funding structure is still difficult to make work, even with the promise of Section 8 vouchers."

Despite its limitations, Bok, the Boston executive, said the new federal program is significant, even if it only leads to the piecemeal construction of new public housing. It's the first movement from the federal government on public housing in decades, and she said she hopes it will be an important step toward removing altogether the federal limitation on new units.

"Public housing could be a key piece of the solution to our housing shortage," Bok said. "We just have to start treating it that way."

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Trump victim allowed to seek more damages

POLITICAL NOTEBOOK

NEW YORK — A columnist who recently won a $5 million sexual abuse and defamation jury award against Donald Trump can update a similar lawsuit with his more recent public comments in a bid for over $10 million more in damages from the former president, a federal judge ruled Tuesday in another legal loss for Trump.

The ruling by Judge Lewis A. Kaplan gave new life to a defamation lawsuit by writer E. Jean Carroll that was stalled by appeals after the Justice Department supported a request by Trump's attorneys to substitute the United States for him as the defendant on the grounds that he cannot be held personally liable for comments made while carrying out presidential duties.

The 2020 defamation lawsuit was originally filed after Carroll wrote in a 2019 book that Trump raped her in a midtown Manhattan Bergdorf Goodman store after he turned a friendly and flirtatious chance encounter between the pair into a violent encounter once behind a closed dressing room door.

Trump, she maintained, disparaged her afterward, spoiling her career and reputation, as he denied ever meeting her at the store located across the street from Trump Tower, where Trump resided before assuming the presidency as a Republican in January 2017.

Nine jurors agreed in a civil trial last month that Carroll had failed to prove that she was raped in the spring 1996 encounter, but they agreed there was sufficient evidence to conclude Trump had sexually abused her. They also agreed he defamed her by making false statements last October in a deposition and in public comments that damaged her reputation.

Since the jury awarded $5 million in damages, Trump's attorneys have filed arguments asking to reduce the award to less than $1 million or grant a new trial on damages. They say the jury proved Trump was not lying when they rejected Carroll's rape claim.

E. Jean Carroll sought to add some of Donald Trump's recent comments to her defamation suit.

Trump, 76, who did not attend the trial, has continued to insist he didn't really know Carroll, 79. In his fall deposition, he misidentified her in a photograph as his former wife Marla Maples.

The day after the verdict at a CNN town hall, Trump repeated his longstanding claims that he didn't know Carroll, called her a "whack job," and repeated his claims that she made up the story that he attacked her.

Days later, Carroll's lawyers asked the judge if she could amend her defamation lawsuit to add Trump's latest comments and demand at least $10 million and "very substantial" punitive damages.

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Christie calls Trump conduct in indictment 'awful'

Former governor Chris Christie of New Jersey laced into Donald Trump on prime-time television Monday night, casting the former president as an "angry" and "vengeful" man who bears responsibility for thrusting the nation into another extraordinarily divisive moment.

During a roughly 90-minute CNN town hall in New York, Christie leaned on his background as a former federal prosecutor, saying he believed the indictment is "a very tight, very detailed, evidence-laden indictment, and the conduct in there is awful." Christie, who is running for president against Trump in a Republican primary field the former president dominates, said he believed prosecutors had more evidence than had been put forward so far.

"This is vanity run amok," Christie told the moderator, Anderson Cooper. "He is now going to put this country through this, when we didn't have to go through it."

NEW YORK TIMES

US argues against trial in family separations at border

PHOENIX — Despite President Biden's loathing of his predecessor's practice of separating migrant families at the US-Mexico border, his administration argued in federal court Tuesday that a lawsuit seeking money for five affected mothers and their children should be dismissed.

Justice Department attorney Phil MacWilliams told US District Court Judge Susan R. Bolton the claims were improper and the case shouldn't be tried. He argued that the Yuma, Ariz.-based Border Patrol agents involved used their discretion to separate the families, not a policy aimed at deterring migrants arrivals.

Attorney Diana Reiter, representing the families, argued the case should go to trial because the separations were part of a bigger policy under Donald Trump aimed at preventing migrants from arriving at the border. She noted that because the women were never prosecuted the separations were unnecessary.

Bolton will issue a decision in the coming weeks.

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Activist barred from White House over topless video

WASHINGTON — Transgender advocate Rose Montoya is no longer welcome at White House events after posting on social media a video of herself and two others going topless for a time at Saturday's Pride Month celebration on the South Lawn.

"The behavior was simply unacceptable," White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre said Tuesday.

President Biden hosted the event to show the administration's support of the LGBTQ+ community.

Montoya defended her post on Instagram and Twitter, saying that "going topless in Washington, DC is legal and I fully support the movement in freeing the nipple."

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Jean-Pierre violated rule on politics, watchdog says

WASHINGTON — Since taking on the role of White House press secretary, Karine Jean-Pierre has become known for frequently dodging questions by citing the Hatch Act. The law bars civil servants from politicking during their day jobs, and Jean-Pierre uses it to deflect reporters' questions involving campaigns.

But apparently she wasn't careful enough. The Office of Special Counsel, a government agency that enforces the Hatch Act, said in a recent letter that Jean-Pierre violated the law before last year's midterm elections.

Her offense: Making frequent references to "MAGA Republicans" during White House briefings.

According to a letter from the Office of Special Counsel, Jean-Pierre "made those references to generate opposition to Republican candidates" and "accordingly, making the references constituted political activity."

Penalties for Hatch Act violations are uncommon, and the office did not recommend any fines or other punishments.

Violations were much more common under Donald Trump. The Office of Special Counsel sent an "unprecedented" 15 warning letters to senior Trump administration officials about running afoul of the Hatch Act.

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White House promotes renewing surveillance law

By Nomaan Merchant
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WASHINGTON — The United States has used electronic surveillance programs to catch fentanyl smugglers and the hackers who temporarily shut down a major US fuel pipeline, the White House said Tuesday as part of its push to have those programs renewed by Congress.

Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act expires at the end of this year. President Biden's administration is trying to convince Congress to renew the law, which authorizes spy agencies to capture huge swaths of foreign e-mails and phone calls. But lawmakers in both parties have concerns about protecting Americans' privacy from warrantless searches after a series of FBI errors and misuses of intelligence data.

As part of its public campaign, the Biden administration released what it said were newly declassified examples of how US intelligence uses Section 702. And the FBI announced new penalties for employees who misuse intelligence data in advance of a Senate Judiciary Committee Tuesday during which both Democrats and Republicans rebuked the bureau.

Previous administrations have often cited the importance of Section 702 in stopping terrorism. But two decades after the Sept. 11 attacks, the US public is broadly skeptical of intelligence agencies and less certain of sacrificing civil liberties for security.

This time, the White House and supporters of Section 702 are targeting concerns over fentanyl and the shutdown of Colonial Pipeline, which led to gas shortages along the East Coast two years ago.

Among the other examples senior administration officials gave: The United States learned about Beijing's efforts to track and repatriate Chinese dissidents; the FBI was able to warn an American who was the target of foreign spies seeking information about the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; and the United States identified the people behind an Iran-linked ransomware attack against nonprofit groups last year.

The United States has already credited Section 702 with being used in the operation to kill Al Qaeda head Ayman al-Zawahri and providing large amounts of the intelligence briefed daily to the president and other top officials.

The administration officials said they provided more specifics to Congress in classified briefings.

"We are trying to walk a careful line here where we're trying to explain both to the public and to members of Congress the importance of Section 702," one official said. "But at the same time, we do need to be very careful about protecting the ways in which we collect information."

Under Section 702, the National Security Agency collects large amounts of foreign e-mails, phone calls, and other communications that the NSA and other agencies can then search for intelligence purposes.

That collection often snares the communications of Americans. While US spy agencies are barred from targeting US citizens or businesses, they can search Americans' names in Section 702 data and the FBI can use that data to investigate domestic crimes.

A series of surveillance court opinions and government reports has disclosed that FBI agents at times have failed to follow rules on searching that data. Agents wrongly ran queries for the names of a congressman on the House Intelligence Committee, people linked to the Jan. 6 insurrection, and participants in the 2020 protests following the police killing of George Floyd.

The bureau said Tuesday that it would begin to immediately suspend any employee's access to Section 702 databases for an incident involving "negligence."

Colleges get low grades on preparing reading teachers

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tion. Three-quarters of the programs reviewed promoted practices criticized by cognitive scientists as running counter to the science of learning and promoting bad reading habits, said the report by the national council, a Washington, D.C.-based think tank focused on improving teacher effectiveness.

"We have a huge problem in Massachusetts when it comes to our children and their reading," said Heather Peske, the council's executive director and a former Massachusetts senior associate commissioner of elementary and secondary education. "Teachers are the most important in-school factor when it comes to student learning."

The report singled out three colleges for earning A's: Gordon College, Worcester State University, and Bay Path University. The rest of the programs earned D's and F's. Boston College, University of Massachusetts Boston, and Framingham State University are among those that earned the failing grade, while Lesley University and Boston University are among those that received D's, the report found.

In response to the report, the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education said it was working to help schools improve on preparing new educators to teach reading in accordance with the science, through training, support, and a regulation that requires all programs approved by the department to teach new educators evidence-based literacy practices starting in fall 2024.

The department "agrees that it is critical for teachers to learn evidence-based early-literacy practices and has been working with educator preparation programs and school districts to make this happen," said spokesperson Jackie Reis.

Some universities rebutted the report's findings and criticized its methodology, pointing to Massachusetts' position as ranking among the top states on national student reading tests.

"Hundreds of universities refuse to collaborate with NCTQ because they have little credibility within higher education," said Patrick Proctor, Boston College's chairman of teaching, curriculum, and society. "It is also important to note that students in Massachusetts consistently outperform the national average on assessments of reading, which underscores the problems with NCTQ's deeply flawed methodology."

Massachusetts often surpasses other states on a national standardized assessment, but that doesn't mean the state is doing well on reading, Peske said. In fact, Peske said, Massachusetts, like many states, has a longstanding reading crisis: More than half of the state's fourth-graders — and about three-quarters of Black, Latino, and low-income fourth-graders — weren't considered proficient readers on the fall 2022 National Assessment of Educational Progress.

That's a key metric, according to the council: Students who can't read on grade level by the fourth grade are four times more likely to drop out of high school, leading to higher chances of unemployment, criminal-justice system involvement, and poverty, according to the report.

The solution, the council says, is to better prepare educators to teach students to read in a manner consistent with decades of research on how the human brain learns to read. Research suggests more than 90 percent of all students could learn to read if they had teachers who used scientifically based reading instruction, the report says.

"We have a long way to go in having teachers … who know how to teach the science of reading," Peske said.

Lesley University said it was surprised to be in the council's report, as it did not participate. It also cited concerns with the research methods.

"Lesley University is one of the largest providers of teachers and counselors in New England," Lesley said in a statement. "We do not think it is a coincidence that New England has the best literacy rate in the nation."

UMass Boston, Framingham State University, Elms College, and Fitchburg State University all said they strongly disagreed with the report's methodology and findings.

Meanwhile, Boston University found the review somewhat helpful, though its D grade did not reflect its full offerings, recent revisions to courses, or the additions of new courses this fall on foundational literacy, said David Chard, dean of BU's Wheelock College of Education & Human Development.

"We're all in — which is why the evaluations are disappointing for us, but we hear them and we're not being defensive," Chard said. "We'll take this information. We'll improve our program."

Three-quarters of the reviewed Massachusetts programs teach practices that are contrary to the "science of reading," a body of research that found reading doesn't happen naturally and most students need explicit, systematic instruction on various literacy skills, including phonics, to become skilled readers, the report said. The practices deemed contrary to the science include "three-cuing," which can involve a teacher prompting a student who is stuck on an unfamiliar word to look at the picture, look at the first letter of the word, and think about what word makes sense. The practice has been criticized by reading experts as teaching children to look at pictures and guess words instead of looking at the word's letters to sound them out.

Four Massachusetts programs — including Lesley and UMass Boston — showed evidence of teaching three-cuing, the report said.

"It's confusing to the teachers at best, and at worst, it's damaging to kids," Peske said. "Kids are learning methods that are inefficient and don't help to make them strong readers."

The council's team of reading experts reviewed nearly 700 programs nationwide, including both public and private institutions that annually produce at least 10 elementary school teachers.

The report relied on materials provided by colleges and universities in response to requests by the council, including: syllabi, assignments, tests, practice time, and instructional time for required courses. The council assessed each program's quality based on their depth of teaching the five key components of literacy instruction: phonics, phonemic awareness, vocabulary, fluency, and comprehension, as identified by the 2000 National Reading Panel report by literacy experts.

Nationwide, only one-quarter of programs were found to adequately address all five core components of reading instruction, the report said. In Massachusetts, only 16 percent of programs did.

Many institutions took issue with the report's methodology, saying it sometimes based its rating on a couple of course syllabuses. Peske said the group did the best it could with what colleges provided in response to its requests. For example, UMass Amherst rejected the council's public-records requests, citing their syllabuses as professors' intellectual property, Peske said.

Several literacy education professors at UMass Amherst said they felt the report was unhelpful. They expressed concerns that the state education department and the council are pushing teachers toward rote memorization, boring phonics-heavy lessons, and teacher scripts that don't resonate with diverse students.

"I don't read that [report] and say, 'Oh wow, I need to do something different,' " said Ysaaca Axelrod, an associate professor in UMass Amherst's teacher education department. "If we already decide kids are behind because their parents haven't read to them every night and then they're getting 45 minutes of phonics a day, what does that tell them about what literacy is or even … if they want to [read]?"

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Three-quarters of the reviewed Massachusetts programs teach practices that are contrary to the "science of reading," the report concluded.

Failing grades on reading

The National Council on Teacher Quality ranked the state 35th for teaching new educators how to instruct students on phonics, vocabulary, and other core components of reading.

Boston College	Undergraduate	F
Boston University	Graduate	D
Bridgewater State University	Undergraduate	F
	Graduate	D
Elms College (College of Our Lady of the Elms)	Graduate	F
Fitchburg State University	Undergraduate	D
	Graduate	F
Framingham State University	Undergraduate	F
Gordon College	Undergraduate	A+
Lesley University	Graduate	D
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	Undergraduate	D
Merrimack College	Undergraduate	D
	Graduate	F
University of Massachusetts Boston	Graduate	F
Westfield State University	Undergraduate	D
	Graduate	F
Worcester State University	Undergraduate	A

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JEFF JACOBY

Unabomber's death calls to mind a tale of two brothers

Their paths never crossed. They came from utterly different backgrounds. But Theodore "Ted" Kaczynski, known as the Unabomber, and James "Whitey" Bulger, the South Boston gangster, had a few key things in common.

Both men were psychopathic murderers, responsible for killing, maiming, or terrorizing scores of victims during their criminal careers. Both evaded the FBI for years and were found only after lengthy manhunts. Both were eventually convicted and sentenced to multiple life terms. Both died of unnatural causes — Bulger after a savage beating in 2018 at the federal penitentiary in Bruceton Mills, W.Va., and Kaczynski at the federal prison in Butner, N.C., by suicide on Saturday.

In the days since Kaczynski's death, I have been thinking about something else the men had in common. Each had a younger brother who found himself in possession of information that could enable his homicidal older sibling to be brought to justice.

But that's where that similarity ended.

When David Kaczynski in 1995 read a 30,000-word manifesto written by someone claiming responsibility for the Unabomber's terror spree, he recognized his brother's style of writing and fanatical tone. David cared deeply about Ted, a brilliant mathematician who had gradually become a recluse, severing

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Sate Senate President William Bulger spoke in his office in 1983. Bulger, once so feared and fawned over, is living in ignominy, remembered for his silence when a man of honor would have spoken.

contact with his family and moving to a shack in the Montana wilderness. From an early age, David had understood that his brother, whom he idolized, wrestled with psychological demons. When their mother at one point pleaded with David to never turn his back on his brother, he assented: "I promised Mom that I would never abandon Ted," he later wrote.

But when he found himself confronted with evidence that his brother had become a homicidal monster, he realized that his obligation to keep others from being hurt overrode the ties of family loyalty. He contacted the FBI, providing the agency with letters and documents written by Ted. His information led to the Unabomber's arrest at his Montana cabin, where authorities found a bomb ready for mailing and a hit list of potential victims.

Whitey Bulger's younger brother made a very different choice.

It was in the same year of 1995 that Boston's murderous crime boss, tipped off that he was about to be indicted for his long reign of terror, fled from Boston. For 16 years, he would remain on the run, listed on the FBI's Ten Most Wanted list. In all that time, his younger brother William — the powerful president of the state Senate and then the president of the University of Massachusetts — refused to condemn Whitey's crimes. When his fugitive brother contacted him by phone, he kept it a secret. Years later, he admitted to a federal grand jury that he had never urged Whitey to turn himself in because, he said, "I don't think it would be in his interest to do so." In fact, he sneered, "It's my hope that I'm never helpful to anyone against him."

In David Kaczynski's moral code, nothing outweighed the obligation to stop his brother before he maimed or murdered someone else. Bill Bulger lived by a different hierarchy of values, one in which nothing, not even the saving of human life, mattered more than tribal loyalty.

There were prominent voices that derided David Kaczynski for going to the FBI.

"No one will ever wholly trust someone who turned in his own brother," the novelist and screenwriter Michael Ventura wrote in the Los Angeles Times. The prominent radio talk host (and convicted Watergate felon) G. Gordon Liddy excoriated Kaczynski as a "snitch" who "violate[d] the taboo against turning on one's family." David Letterman mocked him as the "Unasquealer."

Conversely, there were leading figures who sang Bill Bulger's praises for showing more allegiance to his evil brother than to Whitey's past and possible future victims, or to the law he had repeatedly sworn to uphold. "My respect and admiration for President Bulger is stronger than ever," gushed a servile Grace Fey, the then-chair of the UMass board of trustees. Former governor William Weld, who was once a federal prosecutor, issued a revolting statement hailing Bill Bulger as "a man of honesty, integrity, compassion."

In the end, all that remains to most of us is the reputation we fashion during our lives. David Kaczynski is best known today for the moral decency he showed when faced with an excruciating personal dilemma. Bill Bulger, once so feared and fawned over, is living out his days in ignominy, remembered for his silence when a man of honor would have spoken.

The Unabomber and Whitey Bulger were vile human beings. But one of them, at least, is survived by a man of good character.

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EDITORIAL

Why are drug prices so high? Mass. should press for answers.

Prescription drugs are costing more, and residents are feeling the pinch. In 2021, nearly 1 in 4 Massachusetts residents reported skipping a dose of medicine, cutting a pill in half, or not filling a prescription because of cost concerns, according to the health research nonprofit Altarum.

According to the Massachusetts Health Policy Commission, the average commercial insurer spent $1,196 per member per month on pharmaceuticals in 2021, a 7.3 percent increase since 2019. Using a model pegged to international prices, the commission suggested that nearly $1.9 billion of the $3.6 billion in prescription drug spending in the state in 2021 was excessive.

The way prescription drugs are paid for and reach consumers is complicated and opaque, involving drug manufacturers, pharmacy benefit managers, wholesalers, insurers, and pharmacies. Attempts to control costs have devolved into finger-pointing between the pharmaceutical industry and pharmacy benefit managers, which are companies that act as middlemen between insurers and manufacturers.

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"It's like having a conversation with your kids when they come to you telling you it's Sally's fault the vase broke, and Sally said, 'no it's not, it's Joey's fault,'" said state Senator Cindy Friedman, Senate chair of the Legislature's Joint Committee on Health Care Financing.

As lawmakers attempt to rein in costs, the first step should be transparency — prying loose more information from Sally and Joey, in other words. Lawmakers should make pharmaceutical companies, pharmacy benefit managers, and wholesalers subject to the Health Policy Commission's cost trends hearing — as hospitals and insurers already are. If they fell under the commission's purview, each player in the drug industry would be required to submit cost information to the commission and testify at a public hearing. While the added transparency would not in itself control costs, it would let health policy analysts understand where the excessive costs are in the system so the commission or Legislature could take steps to rein them in. Gathering the information and making public what can be released without compromising companies' competitiveness would go a long way toward illuminating a debate that is now dominated by contradictory claims from each side.

Pharmacy benefit managers — the largest ones being CVS Caremark, Optum Rx, and Express Scripts — are employed by insurers to negotiate prices with drug manufacturers and determine which drugs insurers will cover. Ideally, PBMs would control costs by using their market power to negotiate lower drug prices and ensure that when there are multiple drugs to treat a condition the customer has access to the least expensive drug more cheaply. One paper published by the National Bureau of Economic Research estimated that PBM services add $192 billion annually in value to society compared to a world where drug manufacturers fully control prices.

However, the money PBMs save does not necessarily go to consumers. Each major PBM is owned by an insurer, and PBMs both recoup enormous profits themselves and return savings to those insurers. The three major PBMs are all part of companies that made the top 15 on this year's Fortune 500 list of US revenue producers.

PBM contracts often disadvantage independent pharmacies. Todd Brown, executive director of the Massachusetts Independent Pharmacists Association, alleged that PBMs "purposely keep the system complex" and "manipulate it for their benefit at the expense of everyone else."

Additionally, the way PBMs profit creates incentives for insurers to prioritize higher cost drugs. Typically, a drug manufacturer gives the PBM a discount or rebate from the drug's list price, often a percentage of the price, in exchange for being placed in an insurer's formulary with strong insurance coverage. That means the higher the cost of the drug, the more the PBM earns. PBMs can also exclude lower cost drugs from insurance coverage.

State Representative John Lawn, House chair of the Committee on Health Care Financing, called PBMs "mob-like." "They control the whole game," he said.

But PBM representatives say pharmaceutical companies are focusing on them to distract from the core problem, which is high drug prices. They say drug companies abuse patent law to limit competition and unnecessarily hike prices of essential drugs.

"The pharmaceutical industry supports policies designed to shift blame, eliminate the only check on their otherwise unlimited pricing power, and keep prescription drug prices high to further boost their profits," said Katie Payne, a spokesperson for the Pharmaceutical Care Management Association, which represents PBMs.

While wholesalers have rarely been part of the conversation, these huge companies, which ship drugs from manufacturers to pharmacies and operate cooperatives through which independent pharmacies bargain with PBMs, are another important player.

A variety of regulations on PBMs are being discussed on Beacon Hill and Capitol Hill. Generally, these proposals would change the way PBMs are compensated or require that drug discounts obtained by the PBM flow through either to the patient or the insurer.

Other proposals state lawmakers are considering would provide government review of high-priced drugs or cap co-pays for particular drugs.

A vital first step in understanding the consequences of any of these proposals is to increase transparency on what role each segment of the industry plays in ever-increasing drug prices.

When Massachusetts lawmakers created the Health Policy Commission a decade ago, the biggest drivers of health care spending were hospitals and insurers, so the commission was charged with addressing those sectors. There was little interest in taking steps that might have harmed the biotech and pharmaceutical companies that are integral to the state economy. But since then, pharmaceutical prices have continued to grow and encompass a larger part of the health care ecosystem. That is not necessarily a bad thing. If a breakthrough drug prevents surgery, that helps patients. But that shift means it is more important to scrutinize pharmaceutical spending, eliminate unnecessary spending, and make sure the money that is spent benefits health care consumers.

Drug companies point out that they are regulated on a federal level. But several states, including Washington, Minnesota, and Maine, have passed laws requiring state-level data collection and transparency in drug pricing. Massachusetts should follow suit.

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Impeachments, insurrection, indictments — and indifference from Trump's followers

It's not that Republicans defending Donald Trump don't believe that the former president willfully took boxes of classified documents when he left the White House; piled them up in unsecured locations all over Mar-a-Lago, his Florida estate; endangered national security by showing them to guests; and tried everything short of smothering them in ketchup and eating them to keep them despite federal officials repeatedly demanding their swift return.

They just don't care.

In a recent CBS News/YouGov poll, 80 percent of likely GOP voters said Trump should still be able to serve as president even if he's convicted on any of the 37 charges related to his possession of classified documents. It's yet another confirmation that no one should have needed — there is nothing Trump can do that will make his base scatter.

From his first day as a candidate in 2015, Trump tested what he could get away with. His bigoted tear into Mexican immigrants should have aborted his campaign. That also should have been the case when he mocked a disabled journalist and belittled Senator John McCain's military service in Vietnam.

We know what happened next. An insatiable appetite for Trump's bullying, shrillness, and unchecked endorsement of white supremacy propelled him to the Republican nomination. Even audio of him admitting sexual misconduct against women couldn't upend his path to the White House.

A catastrophic, chaotic presidency. Two impeachments. A deadly insurrection he incited in an attempt to overturn an election he historically lost. And now Trump's second indictment, arrest, and arraignment — this one federal — in two months. Others are expected in the coming months. But Republicans still aren't budging.

Wondering if this latest infraction will be the one that finally shatters the devotion of Trump followers is like asking someone who chooses to live in a cave whether they want light. Republicans have had numerous opportunities to dump Trump. They've refused. Yet with each Trump travesty, pundits and pollsters try to convince themselves that this time the former president's minions will finally abandon him. They keep trying to find a redemption off-ramp for Trumpists because the need to rehabilitate white supremacy is far stronger than efforts to eradicate it.

> His followers heard his words and gave them flesh and blood.

This is a nation where, 158 years after the Confederacy's defeat, many still defend the honor of traitors who seceded, turned their guns on fellow Americans, and fought to protect and expand Black enslavement. Why would anyone think classified documents haphazardly stored, among other places, next to a toilet would finally break Trump's sway over his followers?

At a 2016 campaign stop in Iowa, Trump declared, "I could stand in the middle of Fifth Avenue and shoot somebody, and I wouldn't lose any voters, OK? It's, like, incredible." Originally regarded as empty braggadocio, it was no throwaway line. It defines Trump's political buoyancy. That comment, made at a Christian university, was greeted with laughs, applause, and someone who shouted, "We love you."

His followers heard his words and gave them flesh and blood. Trump made his grudges their grudges. His travails they receive as their own. He fed them a poisonous lie about the 2020 presidential election and they breached the US Capitol in his name. Many still believe that lie as gospel. It's not about country or even party, but racist ideology as old as America.

"So scary are the consequences of a collapse of white privilege that many Americans have flocked to a political platform that supports and translates violence against the defenseless as strength," Toni Morrison, who understood this nation better than it understands itself, wrote shortly after the 2016 presidential election. "People are not so much angry as terrified, with the kind of terror that makes knees tremble."

As hate crimes continue to spike and white extremism emboldened is the nation's biggest terrorist threat, Trump's followers have caused a nation to tremble with them. Even Jan. 6 insurrectionists convicted and sentenced to years in prison have not been a deterrent to those encouraging violence after Trump's latest indictment.

This is what happens to people dialed into their phony victimization and beliefs that equality is the province of whiteness (or those willing to employ pretzel logic to twist toward white adjacency) while accountability is a punishment only for those they don't like.

Eight years ago this week, Trump descended an escalator in his garish Manhattan "tower" to announce his bid for the Republican presidential nomination. He's been dragging this nation through hell ever since, and his followers remain down for a ride that has pulverized political norms, the rule of law, and democracy itself. And that's shocking only to those who still refuse to acknowledge the white supremacist origins of Trump's repulsive success.

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There's no defending Donald Trump's conduct

By Donald K. Stern

The federal indictment of former president Donald Trump for his handling of classified documents presents a detailed and damning series of charges. The Department of Justice's 37 felony counts against Trump provide an evidentiary road map (relying mostly on the texts, video/audio, and testimony of Trump insiders) of criminal and obstructionist activities which, at the very least, have the potential to seriously damage US national security.

We may never know if any of the seized classified documents or information in the documents were leaked and have caused harm — or will in the future — to our nation or to individuals. If special counsel Jack Smith and the Justice Department had not brought this case, it would be hard to imagine or justify any future case brought under the same laws, particularly in light of the efforts to obstruct justice.

Yet the leadership of the Republican Party didn't wait to read the indictment before coming to Trump's defense. Even most of those running against Trump for the 2024 Republican presidential nomination rushed to defend him — up to a point. The party seems to have landed on a strategy that has its candidates and officials strongly defend Trump without necessarily defending his conduct. They are now joining with Trump in claiming that former secretary of state Hillary Clinton should have been prosecuted over her handling of classified information and that the Trump indictment is an outrageous example of selective and unfair prosecution. In this hyperpartisan political environment, this might stick. But it is wrong and would not fly in court.

This view conflates the very specific elements of criminal statutes with the necessary and appropriate criteria used by federal prosecutors to exercise discretion in deciding which cases to bring. Even if two cases can be said to technically violate a statute, a prosecutor can and should take into account prudential factors in making a decision. This explains why the Justice Department did not bring a case against Clinton or former vice president Mike Pence, who allegedly had classified documents at his house, and will likely take a pass on the documents case involving President Biden.

JUSTICE DEPARTMENT VIA AP

This image, contained in the indictment against former president Donald Trump, shows spilled boxes of records on Dec. 7, 2021, in a storage room at Trump's Mar-a-Lago estate in Palm Beach, Fla.

In those cases, it does not appear that there were willful efforts on the part of Pence, Clinton, or Biden to collect and keep classified and confidential documents, particularly in the face of a request that the documents be returned. Also, there was no effort to obstruct an investigation or repeatedly hide documents as is alleged in the indictment of Trump.

Second, it must be recognized that this claim of selective prosecution is often the last resort fallback cry of those who have little defense to the conduct itself. I can think of any number of public corruption and other cases I brought as US attorney where the defendant or their lawyer would make this charge on the courthouse steps.

But, usually, this claim doesn't make its way into court. Of course there are instances where the charge of selective prosecution is legitimate and deserves an airing in court or even the public arena. However, this type of claim is almost impossible to make stick even in circumstances far more compelling and justified than in the DOJ case against Trump. Moreover, any such claim will be decided by a judge pre-trial and subject to appellate review.

Trump's lawyers will not be able to rail about Clinton, Biden, or Pence before a jury. The jury will be asked to focus solely on the facts before them. The defendant is presumed innocent and will be able to present a defense. Still, I haven't yet heard a defense to the serious conduct charged that is backed by any evidence or logic.

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INBOX

Major moves eyed for two Boston high schools

Bid to overhaul two schools leaves city's neediest children wanting

Re "Big changes proposed for 2 high schools: Wu and Skipper call for Madison Park expansion, relocation of O'Bryant" (Page A1, June 7): Boston Public Schools' proposal to overhaul two of its high schools, one an elite exam school, has excluded the city's neediest children. I teach impoverished immigrant high school students at Boston International Newcomers Academy, where girls encounter toilets with no seats and students burn their arms on rusty radiators. We all dodge paint flakes falling from the ceiling. Our windows are broken; we have no security cameras (despite a spate of incidents at Boston schools); and our enrollment is bursting at the seams, now matching or exceeding that of other larger, more traditional Boston high schools and putting our small space to the test. Our building is 101 years old. Where is our new state-of-the-art educational complex? Our science wing? Our swimming pool? Short of that, how about an elevator? Even just some toilet seats would be a good start.

AARON JOHNSON
Dorchester Center

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West Roxbury is not the best location for O'Bryant School

Re "Big changes proposed for 2 high schools" (Page A1, June 7): While I heartily applaud the proposed investment in Madison Park Technical Vocational High School — it is decades overdue — the plan to move the John D. O'Bryant School of Math and Science to West Roxbury from the Roxbury campus it shares with Madison Park seems poorly thought-out. West Roxbury was never a place for a districtwide school, and it still isn't. The location is awful to get to for just about anyone, and the proposed shuttles between the school and the nearby commuter rail station won't cut it.

Instead, can't the city use the West Roxbury site for housing development and find a space closer to the center of the city for a new O'Bryant?

CHRIS GIULIANI
West Roxbury

The O'Bryant has a long history of moving — and thriving

I wonder whether any other Boston public school has faced as many building-related crises as the John D. O'Bryant School of Math and Science and its predecessors, Mechanics Arts High School and Boston Technical High School. Despite the challenges, however, the school has not only survived. It has thrived.

In 1893 Mechanic Arts opened in an unfinished building in the Back Bay filled with more than 100 workmen. Its headmaster reported that some days students and teachers had to climb to the third floor, the only floor in use, on ladders. In 1957, after years of battles over the best way to accommodate its urgent need for additional space, it was decided to relocate what by then was Boston Tech from the Back Bay to the recently vacated Roxbury Memorial High School building. This involved moving a massive amount of equipment and machine tools. In 1960 the headmaster proudly reported, "Despite the hardships and inconveniences we had to suffer during the first half of the school year because of alterations going on in the building, the instruction, discipline, and student morale were exceedingly high."

Now the school is facing another move, from its longtime home on Malcolm X Boulevard to a renovated facility in West Roxbury. This will undoubtedly create more unknowns, more pros and cons, more change, and more anxiety. Its long history shows that the O'Bryant will overcome any upcoming difficulties and continue to be a high-achieving STEM school that succeeds in preparing all its students for college, advanced learning, and highly skilled careers.

Go Tigers!

TOM HAYDEN
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The writer, a member of the Boston Tech class of 1957, researched and wrote an unofficial history of Boston Technical High School from its origins in 1893.

Madison Park's students deserve most up-to-date vocational education

When I began teaching at Madison Park in 1979, the entire complex was dedicated to vocational education. Students were bused in from all over Boston to take part in various vocational programs. Were we ever indignant when the O'Bryant took over half of the complex!

Now it appears as if Madison Park will be Madison Park again. I taught there for decades, during many of the "overhaul initiatives." All failed. While there is merit in retaining traditional trades — automotive, carpentry, plumbing, etc. — this latest overhaul will be successful only if the vocational areas are added to, reconsidered, and retooled to reflect more current career areas, such as bioscience, information technology, systems analysis, and communications (aviation technology is a good start) and if serious recruiting and promotion are done in the middle schools.

Superintendent Mary Skipper knows a thing or two about school-to-career business partnerships and high tech. So I am optimistic. Madison Park is a great place, and its students deserve no less.

PATRICIA CROWLEY
Lexington

Arthur Fiedler and Boston Pops brought their touch to music of the typewriter

"They play a symphony in the key of qwerty" (Metro, June 5) is a fine piece by Kate Armanini about a septet known as the Boston Typewriter Orchestra. For older readers, the article might have inspired a bit of nostalgia.

In 1950, Leroy Anderson wrote a piece for typewriter and orchestra titled simply "The Typewriter." In the following years, Arthur Fiedler and the Boston Pops often performed it. I remember my childish delight at one such performance, in which the "soloist" produced an eraser and frantically tried to correct one of his "mistakes."

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Not a dream, a nightmare

This could have been the greatest week in Boston — throughout New England, really — in years, if not generations.

The NBA Champions were crowned Monday night, and the Stanley Cup was handed out on Tuesday night.

When the NBA and the NHL playoffs began in mid-April, the Celtics and the Bruins were the odds-on favorites to win it all. With the championships being decided within days of each other, that meant Boston could have hosted two duck boat parades in the same week.

But coulda, woulda, shoulda.

After putting up the best regular season in NHL history, the Bruins were unceremoniously dumped in the first round. The Celtics, the bookies' favorites, made it to the Eastern Conference Finals, and stormed back from being down three games to none, only to lose a Game 7 at the Garden in ignominious fashion, turning in a real stinker.

So instead of showers of confetti, we get showers of rain, throughout New England, and a week that would have been the most unforgettable in many people's lives will instead will be remembered for something completely different than sports.

Instead of duck boat parades, we were treated to a ghastly sight: a former president arraigned on felony charges, a former president who wants to be president again, a former president who attracts more attention than any athlete, any celebrity, anybody.

Watching professional sports is a distraction. But it is a welcome, enjoyable distraction that unites people of all walks of life and different perspectives.

Donald Trump is an unwelcome distraction who divides and pits people against each other. And, yet, like coming across a car crash, it is impossible not to rubberneck.

Trump's arraignment on Tuesday afternoon was treated to live, wall-to-wall coverage on TV. Cameras in helicopters followed his motorcade from his Doral country club to the federal courthouse in Miami. Traffic was stopped on highways so the motorcade could make the 12-mile journey unimpeded. It conjured images of the slow chase of OJ Simpson 29 years ago. Except in this case the alleged perp was riding in a black Suburban, not a white Bronco.

Watching those drivers stuck in traffic to make way for The Donald offered a metaphor for what's on offer for the next year. You can say you'll ignore Trump for the next 18 months, leading up to his trial and the 2024 election. But you have no say in the matter. He will be there, on your screens, in your newspaper, on the radio in your car. He's ratings gold.

For all the brash and belligerent talk from Trump's allies, there were more cops and journalists in Miami than protesters. Some anti-Trump guy dressed like a prison inmate got pushed aside when he approached Trump's SUV on his arrival. The same guy was tackled to the ground when he jumped in the path of the motorcade after the arraignment. Trump supporters shouted their fealty.

But this was no Jan. 6. Of course, some of the very people who were most likely to cause trouble couldn't be there because they're still locked up for their actions while invading the Capitol. Nearly 300 got prison time, while more than 100 received home confinement.

If both the Celtics and Bruins crashing out of the playoffs was a disappointment, Tuesday's dog and pony show in Miami was depressing, because of what it portends for the next 18 months.

Trump's legal process will unfold alongside his presidential campaign. Despite facing felony charges, he remains the Republican front-runner, and polls show the vast majority of Republicans believe the charges against him are politically motivated. His base remains as devoted to him as the Green Teamers who, despite the last two seasons ending in failure, believe Jayson Tatum and Jaylen Brown will eventually raise banner No. 18 at the Garden.

This year could have been special, if the Bruins and Celtics had played to form.

The next year will be exhausting and chaotic because Donald Trump always reverts to form.

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Healey announces new green bank

Massachusetts Community Climate Bank to help fund climate-friendly housing

By Sabrina Shankman
GLOBE STAFF

A new bank established by the state will provide loans to make affordable housing more climate-friendly, Governor Maura Healey announced Tuesday.

The new Massachusetts Community Climate Bank will be the nation's first green bank dedicated to affordable housing, according to a statement released by the Healey administration, and it will be seeded with $50 million in funds from the Department of Environmental Protection.

"The Massachusetts Community Climate Bank will be our financial engine for moving forward on our climate goals, relieving the pressure of high housing costs, and creating good jobs and healthier communities," Healey said in a statement. "This first-of-its kind initiative is going to make our state more competitive, affordable, and equitable — and it's going to show that in Massachusetts, we can lead the world by leading with our values and leaving no community behind."

Officials said they hope the bank will attract both private and federal funds, increasing its capital base and helping to expand the bank's ability to lend to more developers looking to finance climate-friendly housing.

"Some of these projects are so fragile, and they need the kind of financing that you can't just go out into the commercial marketplace and get capital for," said Amy Longsworth, executive director of the Boston Green Ribbon Commission, which, along with the city of Boston,

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PICKING THE BERRY BEST

Callahan Smith (above, left) and his sister Nora, from Norton, and Isabella Mei (left), from Sharon, were among those who came to Ward's Berry Farm in Sharon to pick their own strawberries.

NEW ENGLAND AQUARIUM

Pod of killer whales seen off Nantucket on Sunday. Aquarium researcher Orla O'Brien said it's fairly unusual to see even one orca off New England's coast.

Spotting 4 killer whales off Nantucket a 'bucket list item' for researcher

By Shannon Larson
GLOBE STAFF

The first splash was small and sudden. Soon more specks of water flew into the air. Then a dorsal fin cut through the surface like a blade. When the huge creature rose above the waves, there was no doubt. It was a rare New England sighting of a killer whale.

And not just one. Within moments, three other orcas had risen to the surface, stunning the researchers circling overhead in a small plane on Sunday.

"Bucket list item," declared Orla O'Brien, who leads the aerial survey team for the aquarium's Anderson Cabot Center for Ocean Life. The apex predators are more abundant in colder waters, such as Alaska and Norway, and it's fairly unusual to see even one orca off the coast of New England, she said.

Specialists on killer whales told O'Brien the pod was likely an adult male and female with two juveniles since the species tends "to live in family groups,"

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City's largest police, fire unions move closer to arbitration

By Sean Cotter
GLOBE STAFF

Two of Boston's largest public safety unions continue to rumble toward arbitration, with the state now taking the reins in contract negotiations with the city, and a third major labor group could be headed that way soon.

The talks involving the contracts for the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association and International Association of Fire Fighters Local 718 are now in the hands of the Massachusetts Joint Labor-Management Committee, which on May 25 sided with both unions in their respective protracted battles with the Wu administration. The state labor committee will now spend several months with forced mediation between the administration and the two separate unions.

If that fails, they'll head to arbitration, which is when both sides present their top priorities to the committee and state labor officials issue a binding contract by which both sides have to abide.

Since her campaign, Mayor Michelle Wu placed a heavy focus on public safety contracts as a vehicle to deliver reform, but increasingly the state's labor committee is getting involved at the unions' requests.

Lou Mandarini, the Wu administration's senior adviser for labor issues, said the city's been treating unions "well and fairly." He added that all of the city's labor agreements had expired by the time the mayor

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Governor names head of tourism office

Fox was marketing czar behind iconic Salem celebrations

By Samantha J. Gross and Matt Stout
GLOBE STAFF

Governor Maura Healey's administration has appointed Kate Fox, who led marketing for the city of Salem through the COVID-19 pandemic and countless enormous Halloween celebrations, to lead the state's Office of Travel and Tourism.

Fox served two stints as Destination Salem's executive director, totaling nearly 20 years. After a five-year hiatus, she was hired back to lead the organization in 2007 while Kim Driscoll, now the state's lieutenant governor, was the city's mayor.

Fox started her new role on Monday. "We're thrilled Kate will bring decades of experience working in the tourism industry to this role and excited to see her strengthen Massachusetts' capacity to attract new visitors and businesses to our beautiful state," Driscoll said in a statement announcing the appointment. In her new job, Fox will be tasked with promoting some of the state's biggest events, including the upcoming 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence.

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In addition to making Salem a Halloween destination, Kate Fox also let visitors know the city offered more.

Destination Salem, a public-private nonprofit, is tasked with marketing events in the North Shore city, which generates more than $140 million from the tourism industry per year. Her appointment comes amid repeated promises by Healey to make Massachusetts more competitive with other states.

October has long stood as its busiest time of the year; Fox has said that travel that month alone accounts for about 30 percent of the Witch City's annual tourism, with hundreds of thousands flocking to Salem for its world-renown Haunted Happenings celebration.

But she was also part of an effort in recent years to rebrand Salem as more than an October tourist destination, which included adopting a new logo and motto ("Still Making History") to move the city beyond its spooky reputation. "Wherever you go, the witch is first," Fox told The Boston Globe in 2011. "But we're trying to let people know we have an incredible shop-and-dine scene, too."

Fox will make a base salary of $120,000 per year, according to the Executive Office of Economic Development.

Fox's predecessor, Keiko Orrall, was earning $132,499 before leaving this year. Orrall, a former state lawmaker and leading Republican Party figure, was tapped by then-Governor Charlie Baker's administration for the job in early 2019, months after her unsuccessful bid for state treasurer. Orrall was a political ally of Baker, who backed the Lakeville Republican for GOP national committeewoman years earlier, and she got the job without having any previous jobs in the travel or tourism industry.

During her time working in the city, Fox served on the Salem Chamber of Commerce's board of directors, the Salem Main Streets Steering Committee, and was a commissioner for the Essex National Heritage Commission.

She was previously a president of the North of Boston Convention & Visitors board of directors, which promotes Essex County as a travel destination.

Fox lives in Beverly and holds a bachelor's degree in English with a minor in Religious Studies from William Smith College.

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Ex-Milton officer reaches deal in teen intimidation case

Accused of threatening son's Black friend

By Ivy Scott
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The criminal case against a former Milton police officer accused of threatening her son's Black friend with clenched fists in 2020 came to a quiet end Monday, when a judge ruled that the white woman's charges will be dismissed if she does not get arrested again in the next 6 to 12 months.

Prosecutors alleged that Patricia Lio, 54, threatened her son's 14-year-old friend over his support for the Black Lives Matter movement when the boy was at their home for a sleepover, and also accused her of attacking her husband when he tried to deescalate the confrontation.

In court last year at a hearing for Lio, a Westwood police sergeant testified that Lio told the teenage boy, "If you support Black Lives Matter, get the [expletive] out of my house."

Police said Lio then punched her husband as he attempted to escort her away from the teens, and when he got into a car with the boys, she began banging on the windows and pulling on the locked doors. Lio's husband, Anthony, testified his wife didn't strike him, and that the blood came from a cut to his nose that he sustained while doing construction work.

Lio testified at the hearing that "this has never been about race" and that she was instead "trying to convey ... frustration that it's not OK to cheer on the killing of cops."

According to prosecutors, Lio's alleged outburst was provoked by a social media post made by the Black teenager in 2020 that supported defunding the police. An attorney for the teenager's family said at the hearing that the social media post didn't advocate violence.

Lio was scheduled to stand trial Monday morning in Dedham District Court, but prosecutors and her attorney, Kevin Reddington, instead reached an agreement that Reddington said "is a very good disposition for Patricia."

Prosecutors requested a guilty plea and asked Judge Paul J. McCallum to order Lio to complete anger management and diversity awareness courses. However, the judge ruled that while there were "sufficient facts" for an admission of guilt,

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Patricia Lio allegedly threatened a Black teenager for his support of the Black Lives Matter movement.

he would not order Lio to plead guilty, and instead placed her on a yearlong probation with no conditions except to stay away from the Black teen.

In a phone interview Monday, Reddington said Lio's reaction to her son's friend was not fueled by racism, but rather by a fear for her own safety stoked by anti-police sentiment at the time. He stressed that Lio had no prior criminal record, and was "going through the pandemic at the peak of a defund the police movement where police were being shot, stabbed, and murdered."

Lio resigned from the Milton Police Department in October, according to Deputy Chief James A. O'Neil. Reddington said Lio is "done with police departments [and is] putting this case in her rear-view mirror," focusing instead on being a "happy and devoted" wife and mother.

"I'm glad that this case is finally behind her," he said.

Because the defendant was a police officer, the case was tried by a special prosecutor from Middlesex County rather than prosecutors in Norfolk County, where the confrontation took place. A spokeswoman for Middlesex District Attorney Marian Ryan declined to comment on Monday's outcome. Ryan recently signed off on proposed legislation to standardize the sentencing for hate crimes, according to her office.

O'Neil declined to comment on the case but said all Milton police officers are now required to complete an in-house "fair and impartial policing training" when they join the force, as well as an annual refresher course.

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Amistad replica heads to the Vineyard

Juneteenth celebrations will include schooner

By Emma Obregon Dominguez
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A replica of the historical Amistad schooner will visit Martha's Vineyard for Juneteenth celebrations this week, as it leaves the Mystic Seaport Museum in Stonington, Conn., its host for most of the year, and continues its 2023 Voyage for Freedom Tour, museum officials said.

The 128-foot replica commemorates the events of July 1, 1839, when 53 African men and children from the Mende tribe who were headed to a life of enslavement fought for their freedom and took over the Cuban vessel.

The Mende demanded that the enslavers sail the ship to Sierra Leone, where they had been abducted, but the enslavers deceived them and steered the ship north to New London, Conn., where the Mende were imprisoned on murder charges, according to the National Archives.

Nearly two years after the revolt, the US Supreme Court ordered the immediate release of the remaining 35 survivors, who were returned to their homeland. The success of the Amistad case helped abolitionist groups gain support to end slavery.

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The Amistad, a near-replica of the historical ship, commemorates a slave revolt.

The arrival of the reproduction Amistad to Martha's Vineyard coincides with the island's celebration of Juneteenth, the traditional June 19 celebration of the end of slavery in the United States.

The replica is operated by Discovering Amistad, a nonprofit educational organization that aims to educate the public on freedom, slavery, and the "achievement of justice," according to the organization. A longstanding partnership between Discovering Amistad and the Mystic Seaport Museum allows the Amistad to be used as a vessel for education.

Peter Armstrong, president of the Mystic Seaport Museum and a member of the board of directors at Discovering Amistad, said the museum is responsible for ensuring that the "boat can sail" and collaborates with Discovering Amistad to spread the organization's message, "particularly with young people."

The Amistad will be greeted Friday at Tisbury Wharf with a welcome reception from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 144 Beach Road in Vineyard Haven. According to Discovering Amistad's website, free public tours of the schooner will be offered during the event.

For island visitors and residents unable to attend the reception, the Amistad will host additional free tours during an Open House on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Shannon McKenzie, vice president of operations at the Mystic Seaport Museum, said crew members can explain more during the tours about the history of the boat and share the larger message within the vessel.

To access the tours, register at the Discovering Amistad website. McKenzie said the boat has "a site-specific" reservation system, and only a limited number of people can be aboard at once.

On Monday, the Amistad will head to a gospel brunch and open house at 1 Dock St. in Edgartown for additional tours.

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This day in history

Today is Wednesday, June 14, the 165th day of 2023. There are 200 days left in the year. This is Flag Day.

►Birthdays: Actor Marla Gibbs is 92. House majority leader Steny Hoyer, D-Md., is 84. Country-rock musician Spooner Oldham is 80. Rock singer Rod Argent (the Zombies; Argent) is 78. Former President Donald Trump is 77. Singer Janet Lennon (the Lennon Sisters) is 77. Rock musician Barry Melton is 76. Actor Will Patton is 69. Olympic gold medal speed skater Eric Heiden is 65. Jazz musician Marcus Miller is 64. Singer Boy George is 62. Rock musician Chris DeGarmo is 60. Actor Traylor Howard is 57. Actor Yasmine Bleeth is 55. Actor Faizon Love is 55. Actor Stephen Wallem is 55. International Tennis Hall of Famer Steffi Graf is 54. Actor Sullivan Stapleton is 46. Screenwriter Diablo Cody is 45. Classical pianist Lang Lang is 41. Actor Lawrence Saint-Victor is 41. Actor Torrance Coombs is 40. Actor J.R. Martinez is 40. Actor-singer Kevin McHale is 35. Actor Lucy Hale is 34. Pop singer Jesy Nelson (Little Mix) is 32. Country singer Joel Crouse is 31. Actor Daryl Sabara is 31.

►In 1775, the Continental Army, forerunner of the United States Army, was created.

►In 1777, the Second Continental Congress approved the design of the original American flag.

►In 1846, a group of US settlers in Sonoma proclaimed the Republic of California.

►In 1911, the British ocean liner RMS Olympic set out on its maiden voyage for New York, arriving one week later. (The ship's captain was Edward John Smith, who went on to command the ill-fated RMS Titanic the following year.)

►In 1919, John Alcock and Arthur Whitten Brown embarked on the first non-stop flight across the Atlantic Ocean.

►In 1940, German troops entered Paris during World War II; the same day, the Nazis began transporting prisoners to the Auschwitz concentration camp in German-occupied Poland.

►In 1943, the US Supreme Court, in West Virginia State Board of Education v. Barnette, ruled 6-3 that public school students could not be forced to salute the flag of the United States. In 1947, a B-29 crashed into Hawk's Mountain in Perkinsville, Vt., in a driving rainstorm, killing all 12 crewmen.

►In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a measure adding the phrase "under God" to the Pledge of Allegiance.

►In 1962, the first victim of the killer who became known as the Boston Strangler was found. Anna Slesers, a seamstress, lived on Gainsborough Street. (When the killings ended 19 months later, 13 women had been murdered, eight from Boston, two from Lawrence, and one each from Cambridge, Lynn, and Salem. Albert DeSalvo was eventually implicated and found guilty of a series of rapes.)

►In 1967, California Gov. Ronald Reagan signed a bill liberalizing his state's abortion law.

►In 1972, the Environmental Protection Agency ordered a ban on domestic use of the pesticide DDT, to take effect at year's end.

In 1982, Argentine forces surrendered to British troops on the disputed Falkland Islands.

►In 1993, President Bill Clinton nominated Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg to serve on the US Supreme Court.

►In 2005, Michelle Wie, 15, became the first female player to qualify for an adult male US Golf Association championship, tying for first place in a 36-hole US Amateur Public Links sectional qualifying tournament.

►In 2018, a Justice Department watchdog report on the FBI's handling of the Hillary Clinton e-mail probe criticized the FBI and its former director, James Comey, but did not find evidence that political bias tainted the investigation. AT&T and Time Warner completed their merger, one of the biggest media deals ever, two days after a federal judge approved the combination.

►Last year, Ukrainian officials said Russian troops controlled about 80 percent of the fiercely contested eastern city of Sievierodonetsk and destroyed all three bridges leading out of it but authorities were still trying to evacuate the wounded. Raging floodwaters that pulled houses into rivers and forced rescues by air and boat across the Yellowstone region began to recede, but tourists and others were still stranded after roads and bridges were knocked out by torrential rains. New York's top court rejected an effort to free Happy the elephant from the Bronx Zoo. The court decided she did not meet the definition of a "person" who was being illegally confined.

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Actor Treat Williams killed in crash on Vermont road

Motorcycle, car collided early Monday evening

By Travis Andersen
GLOBE STAFF

Authorities said Tuesday that they're still trying to determine who was at fault in the two-vehicle crash in Dorset, Vt., that killed actor Treat Williams, who was thrown from his motorcycle when another vehicle took a left turn into his path and struck the bike.

The crash occurred Monday shortly before 5 p.m. in the area of Morse Hill Road, said Vermont State Police Lieutenant Steven Coote during an afternoon briefing.

Williams, 71, was heading north on Route 30 when a 2008 Honda Element made a left turn into a business area and "crossed into the path" of the motorcycle he was driving, Coote said during a news briefing.

"A collision resulted," Coote said. "Williams was thrown from the motorcycle."

He was treated at the scene by paramedics and later flown to Albany Medical Center in New York, where he was later pronounced dead, Coote said.

He said crash reconstruction experts returned to the scene on Tuesday.

They "utilized tools and technology to gather more evidence and information about the crash, to include a drone flight and some other technology utilized to calibrate speeds," Coote said.

Asked which driver was at fault in the crash, Coote said investigators haven't made "a formal determination yet."

He said the "drone flight, as well as the other technology used today, as well as other, just what I will call old-fashioned crash investigation stuff including measurements and on-scene pictures and photographs are still being utilized by the investigators to determine the at-fault operator."

►Treat Williams obituary, C11

No charges have been filed against the Element driver, a 35-year-old man who lives in Pownal, Vt.

That driver, Coote said, "was screened and we determined there wasn't any evidence of impairment" for him. As for Williams, Coote continued, while referring to the actor as "operator two," he "was transported [to the hospital] by LifeNet, and again, we're waiting on data coming back from the New York authorities."

The intersection where the crash occurred, Coote said, isn't known to be particularly dangerous.

"Data doesn't suggest that this is a significantly high-crash area," Coote said. "So there's no evidence suggesting that it's a quote unquote 'dangerous area,' no."

He told reporters he couldn't say precisely when the probe will conclude.

Coote said he couldn't provide "an exact timeframe, but I can assure you that it's something that is an ongoing investigation, all through most of the evening last night into today. So I hope to have some more answers soon."

The driver of the Element sustained minor injuries and wasn't taken to a hospital, officials have said.

In a statement issued to the entertainment business outlet Deadline, Williams's family said he was devoted to his loved ones and his profession.

"Treat was full of love for his family, for his life and for his craft, and was truly at the top of his game in all of it," the statement said. "To all his fans, please know that Treat appreciated all of you and please continue to keep him in your hearts and prayers."

Hours before Williams was killed, the Manchester, Vt., resident had posted a video clip of his picturesque rural property captioned "Hay day."

Williams made his movie debut in 1975 as a police officer in "Deadly Hero" and appeared in more than 120 television and film roles, including "The Eagle Has Landed," "Prince of the City," and "Once Upon a Time in America."

He was nominated for a Golden Globe for his role as George Berger in the 1979 movie version of the hit musical "Hair."

He was well-known on the small screen for his starring role on "Everwood" in the mid-2000s as Dr. Andrew Brown, a widowed brain surgeon.

A number of Hollywood celebrities paid tribute to Williams on social media.

"He had it all," tweeted actor Billy Baldwin. "Smart. Talented. Funny. Charming. Successful. Handsome. Compassionate. Heart of gold. And that name... Treat Williams. He truly and deeply cared about what's going on here in America and around the world. Climate change, social justice, freedom, truth, tolerance ... love."

Actress Kristy Swanson recalled working with Williams, whom she described as "magnetic."

"Having the blessing to work along Treat Williams side on the Phantom was an incredible joy," Swanson tweeted. "His magnetic presence and hilarious personality kept us going everyday on that wonderful adventure.

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'When you go in the ocean, there are sharks around.'

MEGAN WINTON, *staff scientist at the Atlantic White Shark Conservancy*

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White sharks are known to hunt for seals in shallow water close to shore.

Look out for sharks, Cape Cod beachgoers

Scientists cite rising number of great whites

By Emily Sweeney
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Summer is almost upon us, and that means great white sharks have returned to the waters off Cape Cod. Concerningly shallow waters.

Greg Skomal, a shark expert and marine biologist at the state's Division of Marine Fisheries, said sharks come very close to the shores of Cape Cod, swimming in as little as 4 feet of water in search of their next meal.

The number of white sharks off Cape Cod has increased in recent years, rising in tandem with the population of gray seals, and beachgoers need to be aware of their presence, Skomal said Tuesday at an annual event hosted by the Atlantic White Shark Conservancy that previews the upcoming research season.

"Twenty years ago, we didn't have anywhere near these numbers," Skomal said. While shark attacks are rare, "more sharks increase the risk for a bad interaction," he said.

The conservancy's tagging program detected 134 individual great whites last year, officials said.

"When you go in the ocean, there are sharks around," said Megan Winton, staff scientist at the Atlantic White Shark Conservancy. The peak months are August, September, and October.

White sharks are known to hunt for seals in shallow water close to shore. People who go into the ocean should stay away from areas with seals and avoid murky or low-visibility water.

Cape Cod National Seashore officials also recommend that people enter the water in a group, stay close to shore, avoid areas where seals or schools of fish are present, limit splashing, and watch out for signage and flag warnings at beaches.

"People can make proactive decisions to reduce their risk," Winton said. "It's important for people to be aware."

The rise in the population of white sharks is linked to the resurgence of gray seals, which have made a major comeback since protections were put in place in the 1960s and 1970s.

Winton described the abundance of sharks and seals on the Cape as a "conservation success story."

The conservancy has been tagging sharks to monitor their movements and behavior. So far, more than 300 sharks have been tagged and 218 shark-detecting receivers have been deployed. The receivers have detected 278 sharks with an average length of more than 11 feet.

Overall, the conservancy has identified more than 600 white sharks, both tagged and untagged. Detection data from 2010 to 2022 can be accessed through the White Shark Logbook on the conservancy's website.

Researchers have also started using drones to monitor shark activity, Winton said.

The drones are a "really incredible tool for studying behavior remotely," she said.

Winton recommended that beachgoers download the Atlantic White Shark Conservancy's free Sharktivity app to stay informed about the latest shark sightings and receive alerts when a white shark is seen near a public beach.

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Researcher, fisherman marvel at orca pod seen off Nantucket

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she said.

Yet the orca most often seen in New England, known as "Old Thom," famously travels alone. As luck would have it, on Monday he made his first appearance in Massachusetts waters in a year, captivating a captain and his family as it swam alongside several dolphins off Provincetown.

For O'Brien and her research team, it was calm outside when they set off on a 7-hour flight to collect data on marine animals. They came across an array of wildlife: humpback whales bubble feeding, bottlenose dolphins, fin and minke whales.

Around 4:30 p.m., the team was nearing the end of its day when Katherine McKenna, an assistant research scientist, alerted the crew to the little splash she saw, O'Brien said.

As they circled overhead, the splashes kept appearing. McKenna initially assumed it was dolphins but then cried out, "Oh, my god. It's a killer whale," O'Brien recounted. "We were like, 'No way!'"

They swam together in formation, like line dancers performing a routine, O'Brien said. The team photographed them for about 15 minutes before calling it a day.

It was her first time seeing an orca in the wild. "On the East Coast, it's just so unusual to see killer whales. For two of us in the plane, myself and our pilot in charge, we've never seen killer whales before," O'Brien said. "It's just really exciting."

The next morning, Kevin Simon, 60, was fishing for giant tuna off Provincetown with a small group that included his wife and two sons. Around 10:30 a.m., they saw something about a quarter-mile away quickly bob up and down as it sprayed water. When it appeared broadside, they had a clear view of the distinctive dorsal fin and knew it was an orca, Simon said.

They rolled up their fishing lines and began filming and taking pictures. They followed the orca from a distance for about a half-hour.

"I've been fishing that area for close to 35 years, and I've never seen an orca," said Simon, who lives in Buzzards Bay. "I've always wanted to see it and I guess I can cross that one off my list."

O'Brien later confirmed that Simon had seen "Old Thom," who is about 30 feet long and weighs around 8 tons. "He's not actually super old," but closer to a young adult age, O'Brien said. But he prefers to swim solo unless he sees a pod of dolphins nearby.

That was the case when Simon's 41-foot boat called "Simon Sez" came along. The orca repeatedly dove into the water alongside several dolphins, making a huffing sound as it surfaced and released air from its spout. Simon posted the videos on Instagram, which quickly drew an audience.

"That day, we found many, many whales, many humpback whales, many dolphins. Lots of feeds going on. And then he was just in the middle of everything. It kind of shocked us," Simon said. "Definitely the coolest."

The experience was particularly special because Simon was able to share it with his family, he said.

For O'Brien, witnessing the orcas swim together reminded her why she became a marine biologist. "They're just such a charismatic animal that they really capture public attention," she said. "It has been a bucket list item for me to see at some point in my life, and it was amazing that it happened in such a unique way."

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Mother speaks out after acid poured over playground slides

2 of her children, others injured in Longmeadow

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A frustrated mother spoke out Tuesday after two of her children, ages 1 and 2, were burned by an acidic chemical poured down the slides of a playground in Longmeadow in what officials denounced as a senseless act of violence.

Ashley Thielen's children came in contact with a puddle of the chemical solution, which she thought was rainwater, at Bliss Park Playground on Sunday, she said.

"My daughter started crying, saying, 'Mommy, it hurts, it hurts,' " Thielen said in a phone interview. "So I went to smell the liquid and it just burned my eyes and nose. That was when I realized that it was not water."

The liquid was muriatic acid that had been stolen from the pump room of the park's swimming pool and poured over three slides, fire officials said.

Officials initially said that two children were hurt, but Police Captain Carl Mazzaferro said Tuesday that there were additional injuries.

"We've gotten several reports," he said. "They've all been chemical rashes."

Around 8:15 a.m. Sunday, Thielen walked to the playground with her sons, ages 1 and 5, and her 2-year-old daughter.

As they scampered around, her youngest son climbed on the bottom of a slide and sat in a large puddle, she said. Suddenly, he began to cry.

"I couldn't get him to stop," Thielen said. "I was just trying to console him, and it was really weird that he would not calm down."

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Muriatic acid that had been stolen from the pump room of the park's swimming pool was poured over three slides.

When her daughter also began to cry after touching the water, she rushed them home. She called the police and washed the children off, she said.

As she held her son, the sleeves of her jacket and her son's pants disintegrated, and her hands burned. Her daughter's thighs began to blister, she said.

"I was so confused," Thielen said. "I had no idea how concerned to be."

Firefighters arrived at the family's home and examined the children.

"They had done a pH test and they said [the liquid] is really acidic," she said. "Definitely not something you could just buy, you know, normally at a CVS or something."

Investigators went to the park soon after Thielen left. The perpetrator had apparently climbed two fences and crawled through a ventilation shaft to break into the pool's storage area, officials said.

"The pool chemicals had been stored properly in a secured area," officials said. "A great deal of effort was employed to enter this space."

Muriatic acid is often used to clean swimming pools, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and can cause "severe chemical burns."

The playground remains closed and is expected to reopen later this week, Mazzaferro said.

Thielen said police officers checked on her family throughout the day Sunday and visited again Monday.

"It's concerning to realize that somebody intentionally did this," she said. "I really do hope that somebody can be caught."

Officials said that they suspect the perpetrator sustained burns on their arms and clothing from handling the chemical. Anyone who noticed suspicious activity at the park Saturday night or knows anyone with new burns is asked to contact police.

"It's not news that, you know, there are really just disturbed people out there," Thielen said. "It's really sad that you have to worry about something like this."

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Healey announces state's new green bank for housing

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developed and incubated the idea for the bank before the state adopted it.

Mayor Michelle Wu said in a statement that the new bank will help "complement our efforts in Boston to retrofit our housing stock and create opportunities for small property owners to build and renovate greener, healthier buildings for residents to thrive."

The green bank will be part of MassHousing, the state's affordable housing financing and investment bank, and will work in partnership with the Massachusetts Clean Energy Center and MassDevelopment. Once the bank is established later this year, the state will be able to compete for pieces of federal programs, including the $14 billion National Clean Investment Fund and the $6 billion Clean Communities Investment Accelerator.

Some of the retail and wholesale products that the bank will offer are still being developed, according to Karissa Hand, an administration spokesperson, but on the retail side, she said owners, sponsors, and developers of affordable housing; first-time homebuyers; and low- to moderate-income homeowners could be eligible.

The announcement details a bank that is limited in scope, compared to what Healey pledged on the campaign trail. In a detailed climate plan, she wrote that she aimed to establish a green bank within MassCEC "to facilitate investment in low-carbon, climate-resilient infrastructure and empower it to utilize other economic tools to attract and retain companies

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The affordable, climate-friendly housing bank announced by Governor Maura Healey will be the first of its kind in the US.

that will create new clean energy jobs, particularly in low-income communities." The bank, her campaign wrote, would help deliver community benefits, jobs, reduced emissions, and climate resilience. The bank announced Tuesday falls short of that by focusing solely on affordable housing.

Over time, the Healey administration still aims to achieve the vision laid out on the campaign trail, but its decision to start with the affordable housing sector is an acknowledgment that as the state addresses the climate crisis, it must also deal with a growing housing crisis as well. "We have great confidence that MassHousing can expand and deploy these funds effectively so more low- and moderate-income families can benefit from living in energy-efficient homes," said Aaron Gornstein, chief executive of the nonprofit Preservation of Affordable Housing, in a statement.

Other states, such as New York and Connecticut, have led the way with their green banks. Connecticut launched the nation's first green bank back in 2011. Similar to Massachusetts' new bank, Connecticut launched with limited state funds, which it used to attract outside capital. Since then, it has been used to finance residential solar and heat pump projects, create a carbon offset program for EV chargers, and invest in climate-friendly tech companies.

While climate advocates applauded Healey's announcement of the new green bank, some said they hope to see it expand in the direction of Connecticut, too. "I am really proud we are taking this step, but this is just one step on what is going to be a long road," said Elizabeth Turnbull Henry, president of the Environmental League of Massachusetts.

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Boston's largest police, fire unions move closer to arbitration

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came into office. Most are now closed, save for the public safety ones.

"We've done a pretty good job clawing our way out of a deep hole," he said.

For police, Wu has called for diverting nonviolent 911 calls to alternative response teams, capping how much overtime officers can work, and requiring officers to proactively report data — by race, ethnicity, and neighborhood — on the use of force.

But those changes remained unpalatable to the union after around a dozen bargaining sessions between the administration and the BPPA, which has 1,600 members and is the largest police union in the city.

The BPPA ultimately filed for arbitration in December, saying the two sides were at an impasse. The city rejected that characterization. Ultimately, the state labor committee deemed it necessary to take over last month.

"At the end of the day, our crystal-clear objective is to make certain that the hard-working men and women of BPPA are fairly and properly valued and compensated for the incredible work done day in and day out to make Boston one of the safest cities in America," Larry Calderone, the union's president, said in a statement.

The fire union, Local 718, which represents around 1,600 firefighters, filed with the JLMC in April. The committee voted to take jurisdiction a month later.

City officials in April criticized the union's move, calling it a "unilateral rush" to the state after just a handful of bargaining sessions. The union has said it doesn't want to get to arbitration, and it said there'd been a "communication breakdown" with the city.

State law forbids police and fire unions from striking. The JLMC was created specifically to help municipalities come to terms with their police officers and firefighters or reach an agreement on procedures to resolve their disputes.

A spokesperson for the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, which oversees the labor-management committee, said it is "in the process of scheduling mediation sessions with the parties. The mediation process is confidential and thus we cannot address what happens during those sessions."

The Boston Police Superior Officers Federation — which represents the department's sergeants, lieutenants, and captains — filed for arbitration last week, looking to have the state similarly take jurisdiction in its negotiations with the Wu administration.

In its filing, which the union provided to the Globe, lawyer Patrick Bryant wrote that "the City has violated its refusal to bargain in good faith by refusing to provide requested information in a reasonable and timely manner, engaging in surface bargaining by engaging in dilatory tactics, refusing to make proposals on topics it has deemed 'must have,'" among other complaints.

City officials characterized the talks with the superior officers as "pretty contentious" but said they still believe both sides can avoid arbitration.

The city is also hoping to come to terms with the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society, which includes three bargaining units of detectives, superior detectives, and civilian criminologists. Negotiations between the two sides are ongoing, and the union has not filed for arbitration with the state.

Arbitration decisions are made by a panel that includes a union designee, a city designee, and a "neutral," who essentially acts as a tiebreaker.

After an arbitration award comes down, the City Council votes up or down to fund it, as the body does for all union contracts. There's been discussion among progressives on the council in recent years about rejecting police contracts that they say do not go far enough toward reform, although such a move would be unprecedented.

Meanwhile, the union that represents the roughly 360 Boston EMS workers recently ratified a contract with the city. The EMTs, paramedics, lieutenants, and captains covered by the contracts will get 2 percent raises over the next three years on top of retroactive hikes for the past two years — a success story for a group that's long complained about getting paid less than police and firefighters.

"It's a step in the right direction," Matthew Anderson, the president of the bargaining unit, said in an interview. "This contract's not going to get us to complete parity, but it's a step."

The contract for the union, which is under the umbrella of the Boston Police Patrolmen's Association, comes with an accompanying memorandum of agreement exempting new hires from residency requirements for three years, and it enshrines new efforts to reroute some mental health calls to clinicians.

"This is a real win-win, I think, for the membership, for the city and I think for our department," EMS Chief James Hooley said in an interview.

The union membership voted to ratify the contract last month, and it's now waiting City Council approval.

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Business

SIGNS OF COOLING INFLATION

High housing costs are relenting — but not in Boston

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The sharp spike in post-pandemic US housing inflation just might be ending.

Shelter costs rose 8 percent in May over a year earlier, according to the government's latest Consumer Price Index report on Tuesday.

While that doesn't seem like good news, annual housing inflation as measured by CPI has slowed for two straight months after peaking at 8.2 percent in March. That ends a run of increases dating to February 2021.

"We're clearly past peak inflation on the housing front," said Gregory Daco, chief economist at Ernst & Young, in an e-mail. "We knew the disinflationary process on the housing front would take some time, but it is now unfolding."

The main components of the CPI

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Paying the price

Selected inflation comparisons for US and Boston area (Boston-Cambridge-Newton) for May 2023 vs. May 2022.

	US	Boston area
CPI (all items)	4%	3.6%
Food	6.7%	7.1%
Energy	-11.7%	-9.3%
Shelter	8%	7.5%

SOURCE: Bureau of Labor Statistics GLOBE STAFF

Bolsters argument for a Fed rate pause

By Jeanna Smialek
NEW YORK TIMES

Federal Reserve officials received an encouraging inflation report Tuesday as price increases continued their months-long slowdown in May, news that could give policymakers comfort in pausing interest rate increases at their meeting this week.

The consumer price index climbed 4 percent in the year through May, slightly less than the 4.1 percent that economists had expected and the slowest pace in more than two years. That was notably cooler than in April, when it climbed 4.9 percent.

In New England, the inflation rate fell to just 2.4 percent last month, the lowest for any US region in more than two years, according to Bureau of Labor Statistics data published Tuesday.

Consumer prices in the Boston-Cambridge-Newton area were unchanged for the two months ending in May.

All regions in the country saw sharp decreases in inflation in May. In the West South Central area, which includes Texas, the headline annual rate fell 1.5 percentage points to 3.3 percent, while the decline was 1.4 percentage points in East North Central and New England, taking the annual rates to 4 percent and 2.4 percent respectively. Consumer prices rose 5 percent in the South Atlantic area and 5.1 percent

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On the RISE at South Station

Developers of the hugely ambitious skyscraper start selling condos and work to nail down office tenants

By Catherine Carlock
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A park in the sky. A pool deck at around 450 feet, facing the western sunset. Ritz-Carlton branded condominiums with floor-to-ceiling glass windows.

These are just some of the features expected at the 51-story tower under construction now above South Station — a project that's been in the works in some shape or fashion for more than three decades. Texas development giant Hines, the tower's developer, this week is unveiling the first look at 166 luxury condominiums on the upper floors of the 1-million-square-foot tower, perched atop 685,000 square feet of office space.

The world for these sort of skyscrapers has, of course, changed dramatically since South Station Tower closed on its $870 million construction loan and broke ground just before the COVID-19 pandemic began in 2020. And no, two years from the building's completion, no leases have yet been signed for the office space. But Joe Norris, the managing director and project officer for Hines in Boston, is taking a glass-half-full view.

"This project is entirely unique in that its anchor is the largest transportation hub in New England," Norris said. And though Boston's office

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Construction takes shape on the 51-story South Station Tower (top). The finished skyscraper will have 166 luxury condos atop 685,000 square feet of office space. Prices haven't been determined yet.

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Alex Denner (right) is stepping down from Biogen's board. The Cambridge company's nominee to replace him, Susan Langer, is the mother of his child.

Biogen board nominee raises questions

She's the live-in partner of polarizing departing member

By Damian Garde and Adam Feuerstein
STAT

Biogen, a biotech giant plagued by years of boardroom strife, said late Monday that the longtime and polarizing director Alex Denner would step down from the Cambridge company's board, sending a signal to investors that the company's fractious recent history might be coming to a close.

What Biogen didn't disclose is that its nominee to replace Denner on the board, Susan Langer, is Denner's live-in romantic partner and the mother of his child, born in November, according to court records obtained by STAT. Denner is in the middle of a protracted divorce from his wife of nearly 25 years, with whom he has two teenage sons — a bitter legal fight in which his extra-marital relationship with Langer is a contentious issue, according to the records.

Biogen spokesperson Jack Cox said the company knew about the relationship between Denner and Langer. He also confirmed that Denner nominated Langer to Biogen's board but declined to comment on the company's vetting

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Thomson to take over as AIM's chief

By Jon Chesto
GLOBE STAFF

After four years as the top lobbyist at Associated Industries of Massachusetts, Brooke Thomson has been appointed to take over for John Regan as CEO of the influential business group at the end of the year.

The AIM board approved the promotion and transition plan on Tuesday. Thomson, previously an executive vice president at AIM, becomes president immediately, before moving into the CEO role after Regan, who is 62, retires on Dec. 31. Thomson, 44, will be the first woman to run the statewide group, which has about 3,400 member companies and a staff of 50 full- and part-time employees.

AIM board chair Patricia Begrowicz said board members asked Regan to develop a strong leadership team and a potential succession plan when he was promoted to replace longtime CEO Rick Lord in 2019. Thomson was among Regan's first hires, for the top government relations job that he had previously held. He got to know Thomson over the years as she progressed from jobs as a legislative aide in the State House and in the state attorney general's office, and then as a government affairs executive at AT&T. In that last position, Thomson had a seat on the AIM board before Regan hired her away from the telecom giant.

Brooke Thomson becomes president of Associated Industries of Massachusetts immediately, before moving into the CEO role after John Regan retires on Dec. 31.

Begrowicz, president of Onyx Specialty Papers in Lee, said board members wanted to hire an internal candidate for the CEO job, and Thomson was the obvious choice. Begrowicz said she had conversations with all the members of Regan's leadership team. "They all said the same thing: 'No, not my time now, but Brooke is the right person for the organization,'" Begrowicz said.

Thomson has developed strong relationships with many people in the Legislature and in Governor Maura Healey's administration, and she has taken a lead role in hosting Healey, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, and other political leaders at various AIM events this year.

For Thomson, one of the biggest challenges will be representing the business community in public policy debates at a time of rising concern about the state's economic competitiveness amid high costs and the widespread acceptance of remote work.

"With remote connections, people can live and work anywhere," Thomson said. "We really need to double down on making sure that Massachusetts is the place where employers want to be and where people want to live, raise their family, and grow their business."

Toward that end, Thomson will lead AIM's efforts to push for a major tax reform bill this year that includes changes to the state's estate tax and a reduction in the short-term capital gains tax. Thomson said she is also looking at other business-friendly tax reforms and economic development policies that could be pursued at the State House next year. AIM wants to address the high costs associated with living and doing business here, she said, but also wants to draw attention to the benefits of being in Massachusetts.

"It's going to be incumbent upon all of us, particularly here at AIM, to not just address the challenges," Thomson said, "but to go out there and … talk about the opportunities as well."

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Tower to feature pool deck, park space

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market is sluggish — like most other major metros across the United States — the majority of new office leases are landing in newly built or upgraded properties.

"Our position is that this is a world-class, mixed-use, transit-oriented development, and those types of projects will outperform," Norris said. "If you're going to have your employees come back to work in the office … you're going to want that vibrant, mixed-use (environment)."

The tower's 685,000 square feet of offices will start on the 11th floor, where Hines is also planning an outdoor park space designed by landscape architecture firm OJB. The lowest residential floor, meanwhile, will be 450 feet in the air. A 36th-level amenity floor will include indoor/outdoor space — including that western-facing pool and another terrace with space for outdoor cooking.

Architecture firm Pelli Clarke & Partners designed the glassy tower, whose 51 stories soar up from the classic facade of South Station. Fred Clarke, a partner at the firm, said in a statement the tower's location exemplifies transit-oriented, urban development.

"The South Station complex will set the standard for an enlightened, transformative approach to urban living and working, and become a global model for responsible growth," Clarke said in a statement.

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Residential sales at the tower begin this fall. There's already a "pretty reasonable waitlist" of potential buyers, including young professionals, couples, and empty nesters, said Sue Hawkes, managing director of luxury residential firm The Collaborative Cos. Many are attracted to the Ritz-Carlton brand.

"That flag is meaningful," she said. "It resonates with people. It's world-renowned. A flag in a building is definitely an uptick in value."

Commercial office and residential uses complement the other, Hawkes said, because "they live at converse times," and the chance to hop a train to New York right downstairs is particularly appealing to business executives who go back and forth between here and there.

"If you look at where amenities are going these days: bigger, better, best, always," Hawkes said. "All these buildings and all the people who are paying the condo fees on the higher side have an expectation for service and amenities. They just do. And the buildings that have sold the quickest answer those calls."

The 166 residential units range in size from under 1,000 square feet for studios and "junior one-bedrooms" to just under 4,000 square feet for duplex penthouses. Both Hawkes and Norris said it's too early to be specific on pricing, but Hawkes added the building is "going to be competitive with the highest end in the city, for sure."

The residences are scheduled to open in 2025. Beyond the office and residential tower, the first phase of the South Station project includes an expanded bus terminal and an upgraded train concourse. There are two additional phases to come — a residential or hotel building above the bus terminal expansion, and another 510,000 square feet of office and amenity space above the existing bus terminal. The three phases together are expected to add just under 2 million square feet of new space, along with 895 parking spaces.

Construction is underway at the South Station Tower. Residences are slated to open in 2025. The project will also include an expanded bus terminal with residences or a hotel above.

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Labor chief meets with negotiators in port talks

By Jordan Fabian
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Acting Labor Secretary Julie Su was in California Tuesday for talks with West Coast port employers and the dockworkers' union in an effort to break an impasse in a long-running contract negotiation.

Su is encouraging ocean carriers and terminal operators, represented by the Pacific Maritime Association, and the International Longshore and Warehouse Union "to stay at the table and reach an agreement," said Julie McClain Downey, assistant Labor secretary for public affairs. She did not elaborate on the status of the talks.

Ports up and down the West Coast have faced labor-related disruptions as contract talks have dragged on, resulting in delays and ocean shippers moving cargo to the East and Gulf Coasts. The prospect of a work stoppage could pose fresh supply-chain headaches for President Biden and the US economy.

Su had previously been engaged in the talks, but her decision to travel to California to meet personally with the two sides represents an escalation in the administration's involvement in the negotiations, which have lasted more than a year.

Business groups have urged the Biden administration to directly intervene to break the stalemate, but the president and his team have been loath to impose an agreement and have instead said they prefer to let the collective bargaining process continue.

The US Chamber of Commerce last week in a letter to Biden warned a "serious work stoppage" at West Coast ports could cost the US economy $1 billion per day and urged the president to appoint an "independent mediator" to help the parties reach a deal.

Disruptions in the last six days at Los Angeles have been minimal and "given the circumstances, cargo is flowing pretty well," said Port of LA Executive Director Gene Seroka, who is not involved in the contract negotiations.

Acting Labor Secretary Julie Su had previously been engaged in the talks, but her decision to travel to California to meet personally with West Coast port employers and the dockworkers' union indicates increased involvement by the White House in the negotiations.

Maker of Instant Pot, Pyrex files for Chapter 11 protection

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The maker of Pyrex glassware and Instant Pot has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection as the company that was already struggling is stung by inflation, with Americans pulling back on spending.

According to a filing with the US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas this week, Instant Brands, based outside of Chicago, has more than $500 million in both assets and liabilities.

Inflation has buffeted consumers after a pandemic-fueled binge on goods for the home, but spending has also moved elsewhere as people are again able to travel, or go to restaurants and shows.

And Instant Pots, which became a must-have gadget several years ago, have been disappearing from kitchens.

Sales of "electronic multicooker devices," most of which are Instant Pots, reached $758 million in 2020, the start of the pandemic. Sales had plunged 50 percent by last year, to $344 million.

Dollar and unit sales have declined 20 percent from last year in the period ending in April, according to the market research company NPD Group.

Just last week, S&P Global downgraded the company's rating due to lower consumer spending on discretionary categories and warned that ratings could fall again if Instant Brands seeks bankruptcy protection.

"Net sales decreased 21.9 percent in the first quarter of fiscal 2023, relative to the same period last year," S&P analysts wrote. "This marked the seventh consecutive quarter of year-over-year sales contraction. Instant Brands' performance continues to suffer from depressed consumer demand due to lower discretionary spending on home products."

US manufacturers have also been hit, like consumers, by elevated inflation and higher interest rates.

Ben Gadbois, CEO and president of Instant Brands, said the company managed its way through the COVID-19 pandemic and global supply chain issues, but has run short of cash.

"Tightening of credit terms and higher interest rates impacted our liquidity levels and made our capital structure unsustainable," Gadbois said in a prepared statement Monday.

Instant Brands, whose brands also include Corelle, Snapware, CorningWare, Visions, and Chicago Cutlery, said it has received a commitment for $132.5 million in new debtor-in-possession financing from its existing lenders.

Starry to emerge from bankruptcy

No disruption is seen for customers of Internet provider

By Aaron Pressman
GLOBE STAFF

Boston-based wireless Internet service Starry plans to emerge from bankruptcy this summer with new ownership and a leadership change — but subscribers may not even notice.

Under a reorganization plan approved last month by US Bankruptcy Judge Karen Owens in Delaware, existing shareholders will be wiped out and Starry's lenders will own the company. For customers, however, Starry does not plan to cut back service or raise its current $50-per-month subscription rate, the company said on Tuesday.

Cofounder and former chief operating officer Alex Moulle-Berteaux has replaced chief executive and cofounder Chet Kanojia. Kanojia, a serial entrepreneur who has run Starry since 2015, remains as a member of the board of directors.

Starry will focus on selling service in its five existing markets — Boston, New York City, Los Angeles, Denver, and Washington, DC — and not on expanding to any more cities for the immediate future, Moulle-Berteaux said in an interview.

"You'll probably see us over the next 12 to 18 months mostly focused on the five cities we're in today," he said. "We've been focused on stabilizing the business and maintaining our subscriber base. We're just now starting to set our sights on re-growing."

Moulle-Berteaux worked at Kanojia's prior company, the online television service Aereo. Before that he was head of marketing at video game studio Rockstar Games and led marketing campaigns for Apple's iPod and iPhone at advertising agency TBWA.

Starry went through two drastic rounds of layoffs over the past year. It has since done some modest rehiring, with "mild, slow growth" in staffing planned for this year, the incoming CEO said.

Starry's wireless equipment can reach almost 4 million potential customer households in its five current markets, offering the potential for growth without the expense of adding more cities, he said.

At last report, in September, Starry had more than 91,000 customers. It has slightly less now after exiting the Columbus, Ohio, market in January, Moulle-Berteaux said. The also provides service to 87,000 units of public housing in Boston, Cambridge, and other cities under government-subsidized efforts to close the digital divide.

Starry ended up bankrupt after going public by merging with a special purpose acquisition company, or SPAC, in 2022. Its stock price plummeted and it could not raise the capital needed to fund the planned expansion. The company declared bankruptcy in February, less than a year after completing the SPAC deal.

Starry also faced new competition in the wireless Internet market from telecom giants T-Mobile and Verizon, which began offering home service at the same $50 starting price via their 5G networks in recent years (and at even lower prices to their mobile phone customers). T-Mobile had 3.2 million wireless home Internet customers at the end of the first quarter of this year, and Verizon had 1.1 million.

"As a provider of urban connectivity, Starry has been facing increased competition," said Bryan Darr, vice president of government affairs at broadband market tracker Ookla. Still, despite the bankruptcy, Starry has been "delivering solid broadband speeds to their subscribers so far in 2023."

And competing services are more focused on rural and suburban areas, not the core urban areas where Starry is aiming, Moulle-Berteaux said. "We don't see them marketing heavily and we don't see them succeeding in those areas," he said.

Even while in bankruptcy, Starry has continued rolling out new features, such as a faster-speed tier of service. Customers "are dying to hear the news that we're out of bankruptcy," Moulle-Berteaux said. "All they want to hear from us is that we're not going away."

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TALKING POINTS

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ENERGY

ASTRAZENECA SIGNS DEAL WITH WALTHAM-BASED VANGUARD FOR RENEWABLE NATURAL GAS

Vanguard Renewables has signed a contract with drug giant AstraZeneca to deliver renewable natural gas to all of AstraZeneca's 12 sites in the United States. Waltham-based Vanguard is developing anaerobic digesters at three farms in Pennsylvania, Texas, and Virginia that will serve the drug company, by harnessing the gas released by food waste and cow manure, much like at the company's anaerobic digesters in New England. Vanguard said AstraZeneca will become the first major company in the United States to "decarbonize" its natural gas supply by turning to renewable sources. The gas is mixed in with the fossil fuel gas in the existing pipeline system, and AstraZeneca gets credits to reflect the purchase. The deal with AstraZeneca will extend to all of the company's US sites by the end of 2026, and will start with purchasing renewable natural gas for a campus in Delaware. Pam Cheng, an executive vice president at the British company, said the company recognizes the interconnection between the health of people and the health of the planet, and wants to collaborate with companies like Vanguard to reduce AstraZeneca's environmental footprint and eventually reach net zero for global carbon emissions. — JON CHESTO

DEVELOPMENT

LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING PROPOSED NEAR NORTH STATION

Woburn real estate firm KS Partners has proposed an 11-story life sciences building with ground floor retail space at 141 Portland St. and 222 Friend St. near North Station in Boston. The 160,195-square-foot lab would be around 170 feet tall with a mechanical penthouse and have no onsite parking. The site is home to a 32-space surface parking lot and the former location of 2Twenty2, a restaurant and nightclub that has since relocated to 4 Liberty Square. KS Partners bought the site at 141 Portland St. and 222 Friend St. through an affiliate LLC in September 2014 for $7.2 million, according to a Suffolk County deed. "During this post-pandemic time when many downtown employees are still working remotely, the Project's proposed development of a new life sciences building with numerous onsite jobs will help renew the vibrancy of the Downtown North area," wrote Johanna Schneider, a partner at law firm Hemenway & Barnes, in a June 9 letter of intent to the Boston Planning and Development Agency. The ground-floor retail would be located on Portland Street and the corner of Friend Street and Valenti Way, the letter of intent states. While life-science construction and development activity has "remained robust" throughout the region, demand from lab tenants has "seen a sharp slowdown from the 2022 peak," wrote Suzanne Duca, CBRE's director of research for New England, in a recent report. — CATHERINE CARLOCK

AUTOMOTIVE

JEEPS RECALLED OVER REAR COIL SPRINGS PROBLEM

Stellantis is recalling more than 354,000 Jeeps worldwide because the rear coil springs can fall off while they're being driven. The recall covers certain 2022 and 2023 Grand Cherokee and 2021 to 2023 Grand Cherokee L SUVs. The company says in documents posted Tuesday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration that the springs may have been installed incorrectly in production. They can detach from the vehicle while it's moving, increasing the risk of a crash and possibly creating a hazard for other drivers. Owners are to be notified by letter starting July 28. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

SMALL BUSINESS

GLOOMY OUTLOOK PERSISTS

US small business sentiment in May held close to the lowest level in a decade on dimmer views about the outlook for sales, the economy, and credit conditions. The National Federation of Independent Business optimism index ticked up to 89.4 from an April reading of 89 that was the weakest since January 2013, the group said Tuesday. A measure of sales expectations fell for a third month to the lowest since July. Sentiment about future business conditions also deteriorated and a gauge of expected credit conditions slid to the lowest level since the end of 2012. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE USED TO RECAPTURE JOHN LENNON'S VOICE FOR BEATLES RECORD

Artificial intelligence has been used to extract John Lennon's voice from an old demo to create "the last Beatles record," decades after the band broke up, Paul McCartney said Tuesday. McCartney, 80, told the BBC that the technology was used to separate the Beatles' voices from background sounds during the making of director Peter Jackson's 2021 documentary series, "The Beatles: Get Back." The "new" song is set to be released later this year, he said. Jackson was "able to extricate John's voice from a ropey little bit of cassette and a piano," McCartney told BBC radio. "He could separate them with AI, he'd tell the machine 'That's a voice, this is a guitar, lose the guitar'." "So when we came to make what will be the last Beatles record, it was a demo that John had that we worked on," he added. "We were able to take John's voice and get it pure through this AI so then we could mix the record as you would do. It gives you some sort of leeway." McCartney didn't identify the name of the demo, but the BBC and others said it was likely to be an unfinished 1978 love song by Lennon called "Now and Then." — ASSOCIATED PRESS

AIRLINES

UNITED SAYS OFFER TO PILOTS UNION TO COST MORE THAN $8 BILLION

United Airlines is offering its pilots a contract with an incremental value in excess of $8 billion over four years, a figure that would make it the richest deal ever for a mainline US carrier. The company is negotiating weekly as it tries to reach a formal agreement with the union, chief executive Scott Kirby said in a wide-ranging interview Monday with Bloomberg News. He didn't detail the value of the pay, benefits, and quality-of-life improvements included in the proposal other than to say that it would top the recent deals agreed to by its two biggest rivals. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

AUTOMOTIVE

TOYOTA AIMS TO MAKE BATTERY THAT QUICKLY CHARGES EVS

Toyota plans to make an all solid-state battery as part of its ambitious plans for battery electric vehicles, the company said Tuesday, amid mounting criticism Japan's top automaker needs to do more to fight climate change. Toyota aims for a commercial solid-state battery as soon as 2027. Charging time, one of the main drawbacks of electric vehicles, will get shortened to 10 minutes or less, the company said in a statement. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

CONSULTING

ACCENTURE TO DOUBLE AI STAFF

Accenture announced plans to double its AI staff to 80,000, just three months after shedding 19,000 jobs in a cost-cutting effort. The professional services company will invest $3 billion in its Data & AI practice over the next three years to help companies develop the new strategies they'll need to capitalize on the boom in artificial intelligence, Accenture said in a statement on Tuesday. Much of the investment will focus on helping clients maximize generative AI, which creates visual works or text based on simple prompts. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

Biogen nominates departing board member's partner

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process and whether it planned to disclose the relationship to shareholders before they vote on Langer's candidacy later this month. Biogen also omitted mention of the relationship from Langer's biography in a Securities and Exchange Commission filing Tuesday morning.

Langer, 32, is the daughter of famed biotech inventor and billionaire Bob Langer, a decorated Massachusetts Institute of Technology professor who has cofounded more than three dozen companies, including Moderna. She graduated from Cornell University, her father's alma mater, in 2013 and began her career at Biogen in business development immediately afterward, getting promoted seven times in seven years before leaving the company in 2020, according to her LinkedIn profile. Her roles included head of corporate strategy. In the years since leaving Biogen, she has served in leadership roles at biotech startups funded by Polaris Partners, a Boston venture capital firm with close ties to her father.

If Langer wins election at Biogen's annual shareholder meeting on June 26, she would be the youngest member of the board by two decades.

Denner did not respond to a request for comment. Langer, through her attorney, could not be reached.

Langer's nomination, and Biogen's failure to disclose her relationship with a current director, is certain to raise questions about the company's corporate governance practices.

Three former Biogen executives who worked with Langer during her time at the company expressed shock at her nomination to the company's board. Speaking to STAT on Monday night, each spoke positively about Langer's performance on the job but said she lacked the necessary qualifications and experience to serve on the board of a $45 billion pharmaceutical company with outposts around the world.

All three said they were stunned Biogen would allow a director to nominate his romantic partner to the board — especially without publicly disclosing the relationship.

"How do you not disclose that relationship?" said a former Biogen executive. "I have only good things to say about Susan, but she's young. ... She has no public board experience. Her nomination makes no sense."

Denner, 53, is managing partner of Sarissa Capital Management, a health care hedge fund. He joined the Biogen board in 2009 and currently serves as chair of Biogen's corporate governance committee, where his duties include "identifying qualified nominees to our board of directors and its committees" and overseeing "potential conflicts of interest and related party transactions involving directors and executive officers," according to the company's annual report.

The romantic relationship between Denner and Langer was first reported by Endpoints News. Their child and Denner's ongoing divorce proceedings have not previously been reported.

Denner and his wife, Jasmina Denner, were married in 1999 but separated in 2020. Jasmina filed for divorce in March 2022, claiming the marriage had "broken down irretrievably with no hope of reconciliation," according to a petition for divorce filed with the Connecticut Superior Court.

In addition to the dissolution of the marriage, Jasmina is seeking custody of their two children, alimony, support for the children, and equitable distribution of assets. A trial date for the divorce is scheduled for October.

CODY O'LOUGHLIN/NEW YORK TIMES

Cambridge's biotech giant has been plagued by years of boardroom strife.

In August 2022, court records show, Jasmina Denner's attorney served Langer with a subpoena for a deposition, referring to Langer as "[Alex Denner's] live-in significant other."

Langer failed several times to appear for scheduled depositions, leading Jasmina Denner's attorney, in November 2022, to file a motion with the court seeking Langer's arrest. "Plaintiff and her counsel recently learned that the defendant had impregnated Ms. Langer and that she had given birth to their child," the filing stated.

In response, Alex Denner's attorney filed a countermotion opposing Langer's arrest on the grounds that Langer was "pregnant and that her baby was due imminently."

"There is no dispute, for example, that defendant and Ms. Langer started a relationship long after the marriage had broken down," the motion states. "Nor does the defendant dispute or seek to conceal that he is the father of their child. Defendant is a proud and happy father to the child."

As recently as January, LinkedIn and Instagram accounts that appeared to belong to Langer used the display name "Susan Langer Denner." The LinkedIn profile has since been deactivated, and the Instagram account no longer uses the name but still bears a profile image of Langer posing with Alex Denner.

Biogen's announcement of Langer's candidacy is the latest example of organizational disarray at the storied company. It came just two days before the company's scheduled shareholder election, which was pushed back.

Stelios Papadopoulos, Biogen's longtime chairman, is leaving the company this year in accordance with its mandatory retirement rules. Denner wanted that job for himself, according to two people familiar with the situation, but failed to convince the rest of the board, who chose former Merck executive Caroline Dorsa instead.

As of April 28, Denner was still standing for reelection, alongside board members Richard Mulligan and William Jones. On Tuesday, Papadopoulos said in an SEC filing that the company's directors had "unanimously determined that it is in the best interest of Biogen and its stockholders to significantly refresh the membership of the board."

Biogen is still recovering from a damaging series of corporate missteps, culminating in the failed launch of Aduhelm, a widely criticized treatment for Alzheimer's disease. The company's board has been factionalized for more than a decade, as Alex Denner, a disciple of the billionaire activist investor Carl Icahn, pushed for austerity that might make the company an attractive acquisition target, while Papadopoulos argued the company should prize high-risk science. The resulting tension led to stasis that frustrated a series of chief executives and alienated Wall Street.

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Index of publicly traded companies in Massachusetts

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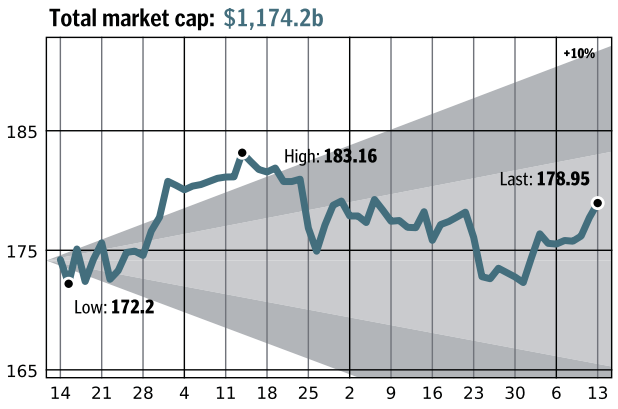

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	Price	Chg	% chg	Market cap (bil.)
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General Electric (GE)	106.74	+0.51	+0.5	116.2
Analog Devices (ADI)	192.37	+4.71	+2.5	96.5
TJX Cos Inc (TJX)	81.03	+1.00	+1.2	93.1
American Tower Corp (AMT)	191.02	+2.46	+1.3	89.0
Vertex Pharma (VRTX)	342.10	+1.50	+0.4	88.1
Boston Scientific (BSX)	51.16	-0.04	-0.1	73.6
Moderna Inc (MRNA)	127.98	+4.46	+3.6	48.8
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc (KDP)	31.52	+0.29	+0.9	44.2
Biogen Inc (BIIB)	304.60	-8.81	-2.8	44.1
HubSpot Inc (HUBS)	512.67	-8.40	-1.6	25.4
State Street Corp (STT)	74.07	+1.00	+1.4	24.8
Alnylam Pharma (ALNY)	197.54	+4.45	+2.3	24.6
Eversource (ES)	70.06	-0.17	-0.2	24.4
Insulet Corp (PODD)	281.48	-2.61	-0.9	19.6
Hologic Inc (HOLX)	78.97	+0.51	+0.7	19.4
Teradyne Inc (TER)	111.39	+1.93	+1.8	17.3
Entegris Inc (ENTG)	113.76	+1.92	+1.7	17.0
PTC (PTC)	140.97	+0.35	+0.2	16.7
Iron Mountain (IRM)	56.38	+0.01	+0.0	16.4
Waters Corp (WAT)	263.27	+6.34	+2.5	15.5
LPL Financial (LPLA)	200.10	+3.37	+1.7	15.5
Revvity Inc (RVTY)	114.90	+1.40	+1.2	14.4
Akamai (AKAM)	91.77	-0.62	-0.7	14.3
Sarepta Therapeutics Inc (SRPT)	129.85	-0.22	-0.2	12.1

Markets

Stocks rise on inflation news

Stocks climbed Tuesday after a cooler reading on inflation cemented Wall Street's bet that the Federal Reserve will hold off on hiking interest rates this week. The stock market has been on a roll amid hopes the economy can avoid a severe recession and inflation can fall enough for the Federal Reserve to ease off its rate increases. If the Fed does as expected, that would mark the first meeting in more than a year where it doesn't hike rates. Nvidia rallied 3.9 percent and was the strongest force pushing up the S&P 500, along with other technology stocks. Unlike earlier this year, when a small cadre of stocks was responsible for most of the S&P 500's gains, Tuesday's climb was widespread, with four out of five stocks in the index rising. Raw-material producers and industrial companies had some of the biggest gains. Miner Freeport-McMoRan rose 5.3 percent, and United Airlines climbed 3.7 percent, for example. Zions Bancorp. fell 1.6 percent after it appeared to cut its forecast for upcoming net interest income in an investor presentation. In the bond market, the yield on the 10-year Treasury rose to 3.83 percent from 3.74 percent late Monday. The two-year yield rose to 4.69 percent from 4.58 percent.

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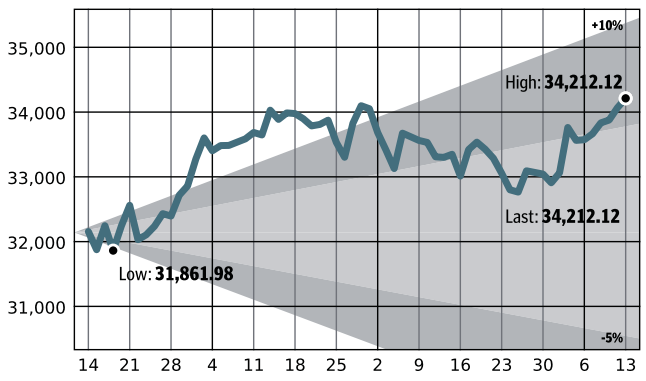

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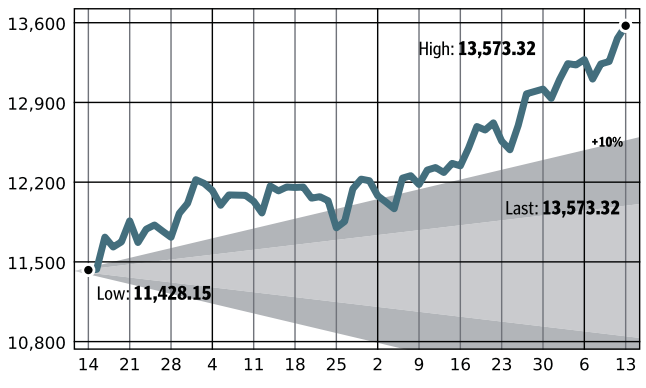

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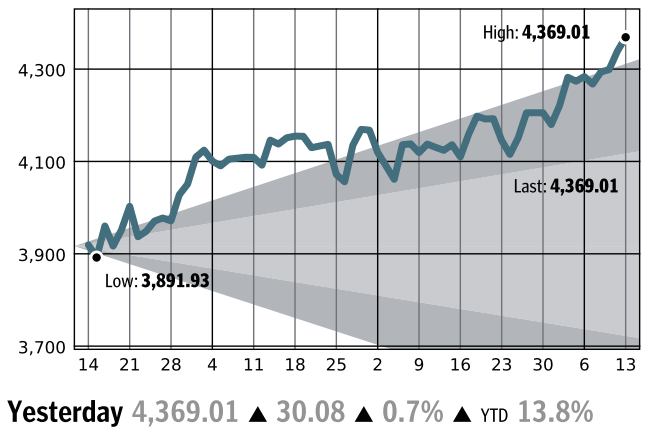

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SOURCE: Bloomberg News

Food prices continue to increase

By Madeleine Ngo
NEW YORK TIMES

Hanna Hensley, 29, an assistant high school teacher in Arlington, Va., is glad to see some food prices come down recently, because it has helped ease her grocery bill.

When egg prices shot up to around $5 a carton a few months ago, she stopped buying them. But on Sunday, while shopping at a Giant Food store, she picked up a carton of them, along with oatmeal, tomatoes, mushrooms, and sliced marble cake. A dozen eggs now cost her about $2.50, she said.

Despite some relief at the grocery store, Hensley said she was still frustrated with the high cost of food. Weekly groceries for her family, which includes her parents and sister, now total about $100, up from $70 before the pandemic.

After remaining flat for two straight months, food costs climbed 0.2 percent in May from the prior month, according to a Labor Department report released Tuesday. That gain defied a cooling trend in inflation: Overall prices rose 4 percent in the year through May, the slowest pace in more than two years.

On a monthly basis, food prices are rising at a slightly slower rate than they were earlier in the year, but costs are still much higher than they were before the pandemic. Over the last year, food prices picked up 6.7 percent, down from 7.7 percent in April.

The price increases are particularly painful for households because food is an essential part of their budgets. Lower-income households tend to be hit harder because they typically spend a greater portion of their incomes on food.

Prices for groceries rose 0.1 percent in May from the month before, when they declined 0.2 percent. Prices for food at restaurants continued to climb, rising 0.5 percent over the month, an increase from the 0.4 percent pop in April.

Fruit and vegetable prices increased 1.3 percent in May, following a 0.5 percent decrease in April. The index for meats, poultry, fish, and eggs fell 1.2 percent in May after declining 0.3 percent in April. Egg prices continued to see a steep decline, falling 13.8 percent last month. Egg prices had jumped a few months ago after an outbreak of bird flu and the cost of fuel, feed, and packaging rose.

Fam Chock, 43, an accounting specialist at a nonprofit in Washington, said she was surprised to see the price of eggs come down recently, but she had not noticed other products become cheaper. Chock said groceries for her family now total about $1,000 a month, up from about $600 before the pandemic.

"It's a family of four, so all of that adds up," she said. "We're not buying anything extravagant."

Her family has cut back spending in various ways: They used to eat at restaurants about four times a week, but now they go out once a week, at most. She rarely buys the rib-eye steaks her husband likes, and she started growing more vegetables in her home garden, including sugar snap peas, which she said had nearly doubled in price at the grocery store since before the pandemic.

Chock was at Safeway on Monday buying strawberries, fried chicken, and pickles with her co-worker Lashanor Doolittle for a staff lunch. Doolittle, 60, an administrator at the nonprofit, pointed to the two bags of chicken in their cart, noting that they were buying them because they were on sale.

Doolittle said she had also made adjustments to deal with the high cost of food, including buying most of her groceries in bulk at Costco.

"Everything I tend to buy has become more expensive," Doolittle said. "I'm always looking for coupons."

Food prices began rising sharply about two years ago as the costs of labor, transportation, and raw materials increased, partly because of supply chain snarls and higher fuel prices. That resulted in companies passing along some cost increases to consumers for a wide variety of products. Other factors, such as extreme droughts in the western United States, have also strained supply and pushed up food prices.

Though costs for some raw materials have recently fallen, some large corporations, such as PepsiCo, have signaled that they will continue increasing prices or keep them elevated for the foreseeable future as consumers have largely kept buying products.

Housing inflation in Boston still up

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shelter index are rent and owners' equivalent rent, a calculation of what homeowners would pay to lease their residences. (The purchase price of a home is considered an investment and not included in CPI.) Shelter accounts for about one-third of CPI, and it was a primary driver of the 4 percent annual increase in inflation last month.

Rent increases began to slow in 2022, according to data tracked by private firms. Forecasters cautioned that the trend wouldn't show up in the CPI data for as much as a year due to lags associated with the way the shelter index accounts for rent. The year-over-year surge in Zillow's index of asking rents topped out at 17 percent in February 2022; it has since cooled steadily, recording an increase of 4.8 percent last month.

It has been a different picture locally, however.

In the Boston area (including Cambridge and Newton), CPI shelter costs climbed an annual 7.5 percent in May. That's a more moderate pace than the national rate, but it marked a continuation of the acceleration the region has seen this year.

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The growth in shelter costs slowed nationally for the second straight month in May, according to Tuesday's consumer price index report. In Boston, however, prices accelerated.

Over the first five months of the year, the median Boston rent was up 7.2 percent, compared with a 5.1 percent increase during the same period last year, according to rent tracker Apartment List. Nationally, the year-to-date gain was 1.9 percent.

Boston has always been an expensive place to live, but the shortage of single-family homes and apartments relative to many other parts of the country is now squeezing residents particularly hard.

As the Globe's Andrew Brinker has reported, many potential home sellers are holding off because they don't want to give up their low mortgage rates.

That has left inventories exceedingly tight, propping up not only home prices but rents as well. With so few homes on the market and mortgage rates significantly higher than last year, apartment demand is strong.

But conditions may start to improve.

The year-over-year increase in Boston's median asking rents has declined each month in 2023, according to Zillow, from 15 percent in January to 7.7 percent in May.

And the median-priced single-family home in the region sold for $820,000 in April, down roughly 3 percent from a year earlier, according to the most recent data from the Greater Boston Association of Realtors. The median condominium price fell about 1 percent to $710,000.

Housing inflation remains a painful problem in metro Boston. But some relief is likely on the way.

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Cooling bolsters argument for Fed rate pause

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in the mountain states, the regions with the highest inflation rates in the United States.

Inflation is down sharply from a peak of about 9 percent last summer, though it remains about twice as fast as was normal before the onset of the coronavirus pandemic in 2020.

The fresh data offer the latest evidence that the Fed's push to control rapid price increases is beginning to work. Officials have raised rates at every one of their meetings starting in March 2022, making it more expensive to borrow money in hopes of slowing consumer demand, tamping down a strong labor market, and ultimately cooling rapid inflation. Now that they have made 10 straight rate increases, many officials have suggested in recent weeks that they could soon take a pause to assess how those adjustments are working.

Investors have been betting that Fed officials will leave rates unchanged at their meeting this week — and their conviction that policymakers will skip a move this meeting deepened after Tuesday's report, helping to extend the recent rally in stocks. Yet the details in the data underscored that wrestling inflation the whole way back to normal could prove challenging, so investors continued to expect that Fed officials will raise rates again in July.

"It's a fine report," said Sarah Watt House, senior economist at Wells Fargo. "But I still think it keeps the Fed on edge."

Inflation is proving stubborn in a few key categories. Fed officials closely monitor month-to-month changes in prices, particularly for a so-called core index that strips out volatile food and fuel costs to get a sense of the recent trends in inflation. That figure continued to pick up at an unusually quick pace in May, slightly above what economists had expected.

Several service categories continued to climb quickly in price, from car insurance to moving expenses and hotel rates. Price increases for goods excluding motor vehicles also remained positive, instead of subtracting from inflation as some economists have been expecting.

"It's possible firms have gotten used to raising prices," said Laura Rosner-Warburton, a senior economist at MacroPolicy Perspectives.

But while the data offered reasons for continued vigilance, taken as a whole, they suggested that the inflation that has been plaguing consumers and bedeviling the Fed for two years is also meaningfully slowing.

Costs for some services are beginning to climb more slowly or even decline. Rental inflation has long been expected to cool off, and that is beginning to happen. Airfares came down sharply last month, and a range of recreation-related purchases — from movie tickets to pet care — moderated in price.

A cooling economy and a gradually weakening job market could help to weigh down inflation in the months to come. Fed officials try to keep inflation at 2 percent on average over time, using a different but related measure — the personal consumption expenditures index. The consumer price index measure comes out a few weeks earlier and contains data that feeds into the Fed's preferred measure, which is why investors watch it so closely for a signal of where inflation is heading.

The central bank's two-day meeting started Tuesday and will conclude Wednesday afternoon, when officials are scheduled to release their interest rate decision. That announcement will be accompanied by a new set of economic projections. Fed Chair Jerome Powell is scheduled to give a news conference to explain both the decision and the outlook.

Investors are likely to follow his remarks even more carefully than usual, because the complicated nature of today's economy makes it difficult to guess where policy is headed.

Officials are trying to strike a delicate balance: They want to slow the economy enough to make sure that inflation is fully stamped out, but without hitting the brakes so hard that growth grinds to a halt and workers unnecessarily lose jobs.

Calibrating policy is difficult. Changes in interest rates take months, or even years, to have their full effect, so the Fed's rate increases since early 2022 — the steepest since the 1980s — are still playing out.

And, recent economic data have offered a mixed picture. Hiring has been surprisingly resilient, and consumer spending has held up. But surveys of manufacturers suggest that a marked slowdown is underway, and jobless claims have risen recently. The Fed is also still trying to gauge the fallout from recent bank turmoil, which could slow the economy by prodding lenders to be more cautious.

"They are going to have to walk a very fine line," Watt House said of the Fed, explaining that policymakers will need to acknowledge recent progress — and also that inflation remains too rapid. "They are going to have to communicate that they know they haven't won the battle."

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There's no catch here: Hopkins is the guy

Sign me up for the Patriots finding a way to convince decorated wide receiver DeAndre Hopkins to sign on for Fort Foxborough duty. Hopkins, who is supposed to visit New England this week after touching base with the Tennessee Titans, would help the team shrink the talent deficit in the AFC East and signal that it has come to grips with its post-Tom Brady plight.

The significance of courting Hopkins translates beyond simply upgrading the roster or providing more help to bounce-back quarterback Mac Jones. It signifies that entering Year 4 post-Brady, there is a reckoning with reality taking place at Patriot Place.

There's a begrudging acknowledgment that the old, preferred way of doing business — relying on Bill Belichick to coach 'em up and The System to manufacture offensive production — isn't sufficient anymore.

DeANDRE HOPKINS
Five-time Pro Bowler

Following two losing seasons in three years, the Patriots require more than just Patriot Pixie Dust sprinkled by a future Hall of Fame coach; they require frontline talent.

Enter (potentially) Hopkins. The 31-year-old wideout is a five-time Pro Bowler with six 1,000-yard seasons. Unless Julio Jones hooks on with a team, Hopkins will enter 2023 as the active NFL leader in receiving yards and receptions. Despite injuries (hamstring, torn MCL, knee strain) and a six-game performance-enhancing drug ban in 2022 that limited his availability to 19 games the last two seasons, he still collected 17 touchdown receptions in 35 games over the past three years.

The most combined TD receptions by a Patriots wide receiver since 2020 is eight by the now-departed Jakobi Meyers in 45 games. Tight end Hunter Henry has 11 in 34 games

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Peppers has high hopes for Patriots defense

By Jim McBride
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FOXBOROUGH — Jabrill Peppers wakes up feeling explosive.

Some 20 months after surgery to repair a ruptured ACL, the hard-hitting Patriots safety now pops out of bed every day ready to go.

"Man, it just feels good to be healthy," the 27-year-old Peppers said after Tuesday's minicamp practice. "You wake up, no pain in the morning, you can get out of bed, do your thing. I feel fast again, but I'm still a long ways away. They say it's a two-, three-year injury before you're fully, fully healed."

One of the most active and noticeable players during the club's on-field workouts this spring, the seven-year veteran has been lining up and making his presence felt from a variety of spots as he prepares to expand his roles.

Like a lot of his defensive back brethren, Peppers can't be defined by one position.

The chiseled 5-foot-11-inch, 215-pounder has been spotted close to the box, deep in center field, and as a nickel. He plays either side on two-high-safety looks, depending on whom he is partnered with.

"I think that's just a credit to everyone's versatility," Peppers said. "We all play in a deep part of the field. We can cover man-to-man, whether it's a tight end, running back, or if we've got to replace a blitzer from the corners. Everyone is real comfortable in the box and knowing how to read the triangle, you know, things like that."

The ability of New England's defensive backs to mix, match, and disguise coverages could cause chaos for quarterbacks.

"We run the same play, but we just flip two guys, now it looks like a completely different

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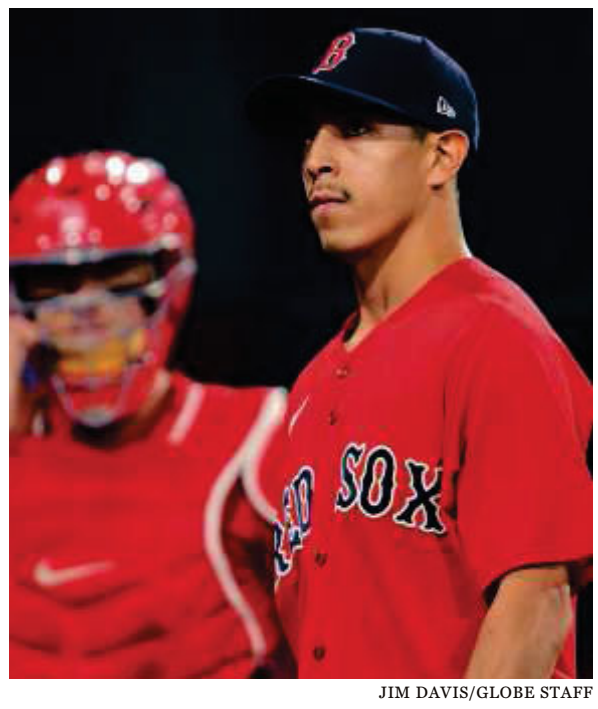

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Red Sox reliever Justin Garza allowed two hits and three runs to the Rockies in the 10th inning.

Red Sox again find 10th a rocky road

By Julian McWilliams
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Rockies 7
Red Sox 6

For the first time since 1996, the Red Sox played extra innings on three consecutive days. After winning at Yankee Stadium Sunday night, it wouldn't go according to plan the following two days, with the Red Sox dropping Tuesday's contest to the Rockies, 7-6, in 10 innings.

"It's part of it," said Red Sox manager Alex Cora, regarding his team's loss. "We just got to keep grinding."

Justin Garza had the 10th inning and, with the automatic runner already on second, walked Nolan Jones. Randal Grichuk followed with a two-run double down the left-field line. Jurickson Profar's sacrifice fly stretched the Sox' deficit to three runs.

Yet, for a moment, it appeared the Red Sox would steer their way to a win after Rafael Devers belted a two-run shot, his second of the evening, cutting the lead to 7-6. Later in the 10th, with two outs, Jarren Duran negotiated a walk and moved to second on a wild pitch. But Reese McGuire stuck out to end it.

The Red Sox (33-35) are just 17-18 at home this season — including a 1-10 mark against the National League. The Sox will try to avoid a sweep against the Rockies Wednesday.

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Rafael Devers can't reach a two-run double down the line by Randal Grichuk (not pictured) that gave the Rockies a 6-4 lead in the 10th.

Pride Nights a step, but work still to do

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ON BASEBALL

In the hours leading up to Tuesday night's game, joy spread palpably through Fenway Park as members and allies of the LGBTQ+ community celebrated Pride Night at Fenway Park. As a rainbow-colored Red Sox logo spun on the center-field scoreboard, attendees basked in their surroundings.

"[Pride Night is] showing that, yes, we respect you. We see you. Having nights like this is just beautiful," said Mikhaela Houston. "It means a lot. It truly, truly does. Pride Night, you wouldn't have seen this 30 years ago. Now, there's more awareness. There's more inclusivity."

Pride Nights have gone from a rarity to a staple of the calendar across professional sports leagues. The Red Sox have been hosting them (with exceptions because of COVID-19) since 2013, when the team invited Jason Collins — a former Celtic who that summer became the first openly gay male professional athlete in the largest four sports — to throw out a first pitch in conjunction with Pride Month.

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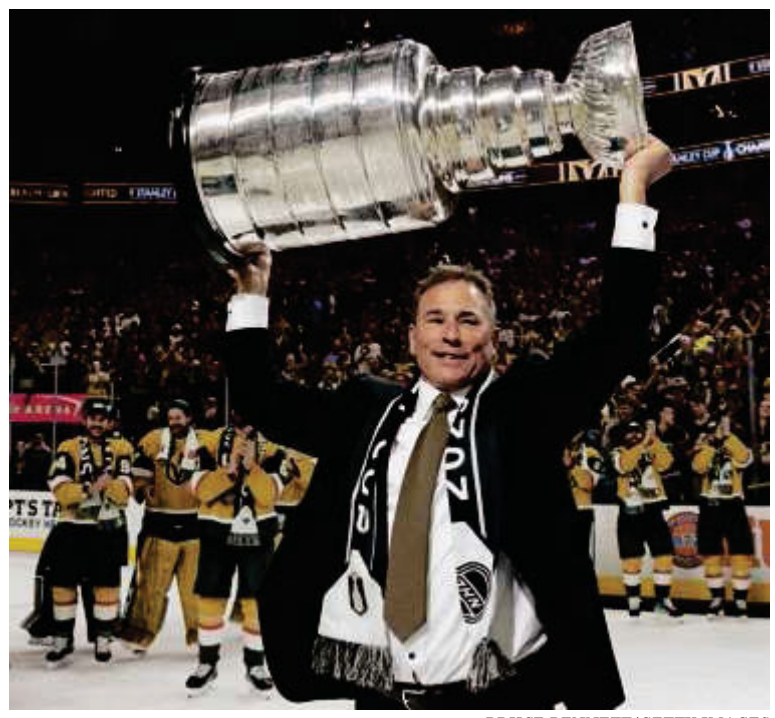

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Bruce Cassidy, whose Bruins lost the 2019 Final, finally gets his hands on the Stanley Cup as coach of the Golden Knights.

Cassidy's Knights win Stanley Cup

Panthers are routed; Marchessault MVP

By Mark Anderson
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Golden Knights 9
Panthers 3

LAS VEGAS — The Golden Knights delivered their city a true Vegas-style party, from dazzling passes to Mark Stone's hat trick to all-out goal celebrations, capturing the young organization's first Stanley Cup championship with a 9-3 romp over the beaten-up and exhausted Florida Panthers on Tuesday night.

Coach Bruce Cassidy, in a nod to the Knights' brief history, started five of the original Vegas players known as the Misfits and put the sixth on the second shift. Cassidy sounded confident the day before the game that his team would play well, and it certainly did, blowing open a one-goal game in the second period to lead, 6-1. The nine goals tied the record for the most in a Cup Final.

"Vegas, you certainly know how to throw a party," NHL commissioner Gary Bettman told the crowd. "What's going on inside this arena and outside is incredible and a testament to what a great hockey market this is.

"What has happened here has been simply incredible. Not only is Vegas a hockey town, it's a championship town."

Vegas closed out the series in five games to win the Cup before a delirious franchise-record crowd of 19,058 at T-Mobile Arena that drowned out the pregame introductions of forward Jonathan Marchessault and goalie Adin Hill and cheered all the way through the final buzzer.

Marchessault, who ended the postseason with a 10-game points streak, received the Conn Smythe Trophy for playoff MVP.

"I couldn't be more proud of our team, our organization," Marchessault said. "Everybody stepped up at different

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Climbing to top
Nuggets made it, capturing franchise's first title. **Washburn, C3**

Coming up short
Celtics missed an opportunity to learn from Denver. **Finn, C3**

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Jabrill Peppers (3), who played in all 17 games last season, now has a handle on all aspects of the secondary.

This defense has Peppers pumped

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defense," Peppers said. "So they just kind of keep spinning the dial, you know, we got a lot of continuity going on.

"We only lost one player [Devin McCourty], a great player, but we all know each other pretty well. So, we're just kind of trying to build off that and take the next steps with that."

Bill Belichick wasn't shy about noting the growth Peppers has shown since joining his program last offseason.

"Oh my God, yeah. He's a much different player now than he was last year at this time, or even in training camp," said the coach. "A full year after the injury, a lot of confidence in the communication, the system, his assignments. He's playing fast, aggressive, helping out his teammates.

"Last year he was trying to learn things, now he's helping out his teammates, anticipating, making calls or adjustments that maybe help him or possibly help his teammate be in a better position to defend a certain play or type of play. Yeah, he's been great. He's way ahead of where he was last year."

Peppers couldn't hide his enthusiasm for how good he thinks this defense can be.

"We're really excited," he said. "Nothing that we did last year matters, but, you know, we know the type of defense we can be if we execute. We know where we fell short of last year, the mistakes that we made that might've cost us.

"But we're all a year older, a lot of guys got good play-time experiences, and we're just trying to build on that, man."

Here are some other observations from the second workout of minicamp.

■ There was a heavy emphasis on conditioning early on, with sprints and other speed and agility drills.

■ The offense continues to run a ton of two-tight-end sets, and it's clear Mac Jones is very comfortable throwing to Hunter Henry and Mike Gesicki.

■ The defense started the day fast, registering would-be sacks of Jones on the first two plays of the first full-team period, prompting a lot of hooting and hollering from the lads in blue.

■ Things got temporarily testy when guard Chasen Hines took exception to some high hand work from linebacker Anfernee Jennings. Matthew Judon stepped in and quickly quelled the uprising.

■ Jack Jones and Marques Jones had picks on Mac Jones. Shaun Wade, Joshuah Bledsoe (two), and Christian Gonzalez had pass breakups.

■ Mac Jones caught one of his own passes (someone get Gisele on the line!) after it was deflected at the line by Christian Barmore.

■ The quarterback's best period came late when he went 5 of 7 during a full-team exercise. There was a little rookie hazing on the drive as Jones connected with DeVante Parker three times, all with Isaiah Bolden in coverage.

■ Rookie quarterback-turned-receiver Malik Cunningham took some read-option snaps during what was basically a walkthrough session.

■ On hand to take in practice was another quarterback-turned-receiver: Julian Edelman. The former Super Bowl MVP spent time chatting up Belichick and former teammate/roommate Matthew Slater.

■ Undrafted rookie Jourdan Heilig is basically attached to Slater's hip at practice as he continues to hone his special teams craft from one of the all-time greats.

■ The club is scheduled to wrap up its offseason program with a final practice Wednesday.

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Players backpedal from enthusiasm over receiver

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FOXBOROUGH — A day after Patriots quarterback **Mac Jones** endorsed the possible signing of **DeAndre Hopkins**, other players tried to quell the chatter building around the star wide receiver.

Neither **DeVante Parker** nor **Matthew Judon** showed interest in discussing the 31-year-old free agent, who is set to visit the Patriots Wednesday and Thursday.

"I'm just focused on us right now," Parker said after Tuesday's minicamp practice. "Great player, but I'm just focused on us."

Asked if he had ever met or spoken with Hopkins, Parker reiterated his answer.

"Focused on us," the wide receiver said.

Asked if he felt as though New England's receiving corps could use help, Parker delivered the same line once more before requesting a change in subject.

"Focused on us, man," he said. "Next question."

Hopkins would give the Patriots an offensive boost, as the team does not have a traditional No. 1 option. Jones and wide receiver **Kendrick Bourne** both recently spoke out in favor of the potential signing. Other players have shown support on social media.

Parker, however, pumped the brakes Tuesday. His response makes sense, given that the addition of Hopkins could jeopardize his roster spot. Releasing Parker, who is entering the last year of his contract, would create $6.21 million in salary-cap space.

Judon, who had been strongly campaigning via Twitter for Hopkins to sign with the Patriots, also dialed back his recruiting pitch, saying he does not manage his personal account.

"You've seen all you're going to get," Judon said. "I don't run my Twitter, so I don't know who be tweeting most of the time. That's what I got for you all."

Judon instead turned the focus to New England's receiver room, led by Parker and Bourne. **JuJu Smith-Schuster** and **Tyquan Thornton** are also expected to play significant roles, but both have been sidelined during minicamp with injuries. Rookies **Kayshon Boutte**, **Demario Douglas**, and **Ed Lee** also have been in the mix, along with **Tre Nixon** and **Raleigh Webb**.

"I would rather just focus on the receivers that we have here," Judon said. "Our receiving corps, we got some guys willing and eager to learn and get better every day.

"We have guys that can catch the ball, that can advance the ball, that can make big plays, that can score from anywhere on the field, and that's what we have. And we have a quarterback that can get them the ball."

Hopkins also visited with the Tennessee Titans, but does not have any additional visits scheduled.

"Wherever he lands, he lands," Judon said. "If it's here, it's here, and then we can talk about him."

Still among the missing

Defensive end **Lawrence Guy** was once again absent from the mandatory minicamp, though coach **Bill Belichick** would not comment on a report that his absence is the result of a contract dispute.

"You'd have to talk to him about that," Belichick said.

The 33-year-old Guy is entering the third season of a four-year, $11.5 million extension signed in 2021. His base salary for the upcoming season is $2 million.

Asked if he would like to have Guy, a team captain in 2020, on the team this year, Belichick once again deferred to the player before flashing a big smile.

"Whatever the issue is, you can talk to him about that," he said. "I'm not going to talk about contracts or personal situations, injuries."

In addition to Guy, Smith-Schuster, and Thornton, other absences Tuesday included Boutte, cornerback **Quandre Mosely**, guard **Michael Onwenu**, newly re-signed defensive tackle **Justus Tavai**, and rookie defensive end **Keion White**.

Offensive tackle **Trent Brown**, who missed Monday's practice, returned to the field but practiced in a limited capacity on the lower fields.

Kicking it up a notch

Kicker remains a position to watch, with veteran **Nick Folk** and rookie **Chad Ryland** battling. Said Belichick, "It's competitive, like a lot of other spots on our roster." . . . Penn State football coach **James Franklin** made an appearance for the second straight day.

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There's no catch to this signing: Hopkins is the one for Patriots

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the past two seasons.

Bringing in a receiver who is allergic to practicing and wants real money at this time of year when the team-building is ostensibly mostly complete is a departure from the Patriot Way. It's also a tacit admission that the Patriots are worried they don't have enough at wide receiver after swapping out Meyers for JuJu Smith-Schuster.

Don't let anyone fool you. Yes, Belichick has waxed poetic about Hopkins before. (It's funny how he omits that Hopkins has zero TD receptions against the Patriots in nine career games.)

Before the Patriots played the Arizona Cardinals last season, His Hoodiness said of Hopkins: "He's never covered — even if he's covered, there is a place the ball can be that he can still get it . . . His ball skills are at the very elite level with guys I've seen in the league . . . He's every bit as good as anybody I've ever coached against."

Belichick loves Hopkins, sure. But he loves value at Hopkins's position more. The coach revels in the frugality the team has displayed in assembling offensive weapons in the past.

Paying a player who is looking for an Odell Beckham Jr.-like contract ($15 million for a year, with another $3 million in incentives) and has a reputation as being a bit high maintenance isn't really Belichick's thing. He entertains it when he's desperate.

The prime example would be the Antonio Brown fiasco in 2019. Belichick inked Brown to a one-year, $15 million deal hours after he was released by the then-Oakland Raiders. The rest is history the franchise would like to forget.

This isn't a Randy Moss situation in 2007. Moss was a distressed asset/reclamation project acquired for a fourth-round pick and agreeable to a contract restructure.

The Patriots are going to get Hopkins only if they offer the most money. He's not coming here to bathe himself in Patriots Glory. Those days are over. The Patriots possess the money and cap space to burn, so they should be the highest bidder.

The move makes sense on several levels.

Hopkins wants to be in a place where he can get his numbers back up and then dip back into free agency next offseason.

The amount of money the Patriots would spend on Hopkins — in the neighborhood of $11 million to $13 million, plus performance-based incentives — would be well worth it to help determine whether Jones is the QB of the future or just a Patriots Placeholder until a legitimate heir/air apparent comes along. It's hard to gauge exactly where Jones falls on the quarterback spectrum after Belichick sabotaged him and the entire offense last season.

He's never going to be Brady, but could Mac emerge as a top-10-ish quarterback with the right coaching and weapons? Playing with an actual WR1 would be a great litmus test.

Plus, if the kid didn't cut it with Hopkins, it would make it a lot easier for Belichick to turn to owner Robert Kraft, Mac's biggest booster, and say Jones isn't the answer.

Hopkins gives the Patriots more of a chance in a division featuring a ton of firepower. Josh Allen leads the Bills' potent offense and has Stefon Diggs, the bane of every Patriots defensive back since he entered the division. The Dolphins sport arguably the best wide receiver tandem in the league in Tyreek Hill and Jaylen Waddle. The Jets added Belichick favorite Aaron Rodgers and have a promising young No. 1 receiver in reigning Offensive Rookie of the Year Garrett Wilson.

The Patriots are well behind that pace with their passel of pass-catchers.

Jones could barely hide his giddiness Monday, Day 1 of mandatory minicamp, when asked about playing with Hopkins.

"I think that's definitely a hypothetical, but I think DeAndre is a great player," Jones said. "You watch his film from college all the way through the NFL, he's done a great job. So, obviously, we would love to have him. But we do have a great group of guys.

"We just know that we want to win, and I know that all the guys feel the same way. But I've been really pleased with the playmakers that we have on our team."

Hopkins to the Patriots is a win-win scenario.

If he comes here, he immediately becomes the No. 1 option. Hopkins is like a volume-scoring NBA shooting guard. He needs a lot of targets.

New Patriots offensive coordinator Bill O'Brien knows how to get Hopkins open and get him the ball. He was the receiver's head coach with the Houston Texans from 2014-19 when Hopkins earned three straight first-team All-Pro nods from 2017-19.

There were personality conflicts and frustration on both sides at the end when O'Brien dealt Hopkins to Arizona in a horrible trade that helped hasten O'Brien's firing, but professionally they were a harmonious pairing.

Belichick confirmed the team has talked to Hopkins, but he couldn't provide the specifics of his visit, saying the team is working through it. On Tuesday morning, NFL Network reported that Hopkins would visit the Patriots Wednesday and Thursday.

But if Hopkins does indeed make it to Patriotlandia, the Patriots have to do what few defensive backs have been able to do during his career — lock him up.

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Cassidy's Knights win Stanley Cup

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times and that's why we're winners."

Stone's hat trick — with the third into an empty net with 5:54 left — was the first in a Stanley Cup Final since Colorado's Peter Forsberg in 1996, also against the Panthers.

The Knights got the rest of their scoring from Nic Hague, Alec Martinez, Reilly Smith, Michael Amadio, Ivan Barbashev, and Nicolas Roy. Martinez's goal in the second period came nine years to the day after he delivered the double-overtime goal in Game 5 to give the Los Angeles Kings' the Cup.

Hill came through with another strong performance that has quickly made him a Knights fan favorite, even earning "MVP! MVP!" chants in the third period. Jack Eichel, playing in his first postseason, had three assists.

As captain, Stone was the first to lift the Cup before handing it over to the six Misfits to each get their turn skating with the trophy before handing it down the line to the rest of the team.

"Unbelievable," Stone said. "The look in my teammates' eyes when I got it, one of the craziest feelings I've ever had. I can't even describe the feelings in my stomach right now. It's everything you can imagine. The grind of an 82-game season, four playoff rounds. You grind and you grind and you grind."

Stanley Cup Final

VEGAS VS. FLORIDA

Golden Knights win series, 4-1

Saturday, June 3
At Vegas 5 ..... Florida 2

Monday, June 5
At Vegas 7 ..... Florida 2

Thursday, June 8
At Florida 3 ..... Vegas 2 (OT)

Saturday, June 10
Vegas 3 ..... at Florida 2

Tuesday, June 13
At Vegas 9 ..... Florida 3

Aaron Ekblad, Sam Reinhart, and Sam Bennett scored for Florida, and Sergei Bobrovsky was overwhelmed against Vegas after carrying Florida to the Final. Missing from the lineup was Matthew Tkachuk, the king of game-winning goals during the playoffs but never the same after a crushing blow to his shoulder by Vegas's Keegan Kolesar in Game 3.

The Knights have set the standard of what an expansion franchise should look like, making the Cup Final in their first season and the playoffs in every year but one. Six players remain from the initial 2017-18 team that lost in five games to the Capitals in the Final.

Those players watched the Capitals skate with the Stanley Cup that night, and then they got the chance to do the same Tuesday to fulfill owner Bill Foley's quest to win the championship in the sixth year.

"We waited a long time for that moment to come back." Marchessault said. "We wanted to make sure we cash in this time."

By creating such a lofty standard at the outset, the Knights played with high expectations, but repeatedly fell short despite four runs to at least the NHL semifinals, until Game 5 against the Panthers.

Beating Florida justified the many moves Knights management made to remake the roster over the years. Stone, Eichel, and Alex Pietrangelo are the most notable players Vegas has acquired to get to this moment.

And Cassidy, hired a week after getting fired by the Bruins last year, proved to be the coach to get them there, pushing all the right buttons in helping Vegas become the Western Conference's top seed and then the NHL's champion.

"He came in, brought an intensity to our locker room that maybe we needed," Stone said. "He wanted to win as badly as anybody else in that locker room."

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Bruce Cassidy is congratulated by coaching counterpart Paul Maurice of the Panthers after the final horn.

Finals loss could have helped Celtics

CHAD FINN

A 3-point heave's worth of thoughts on the Celtics . . .

■ Two weeks after their season ended with a Game 7 no-show, it remains a bummer that the Celtics couldn't overcome the Heat — but mostly themselves — to reach the NBA Finals.

Oh, make no mistake. The Nuggets would have throttled them. Nikola Jokic may look like that awkward but sneaky-effective dude from your Friday lunchtime pickup game, but the spectacular reality is that his game is part Bill Walton, part Arvydas Sabonis, and — you'd better believe it — part Larry Bird.

If you paid any attention at all to the Finals, you know he's the best player on this orb and the quintessential modern Makes His Teammates Better guy. He would have *shredded* the Celtics with his pinpoint passes, genius basketball IQ, and everything else in his distinctive repertoire.

Getting to the Finals for the second straight season would have been an achievement — a parallel one, sure, but it's still something — for the Celtics. And getting wrecked by the Nuggets in five games (if not four) would have been good for them.

It might have been humbling in a way that losing to the Heat after winning three straight to force a Game 7 was not. And it would have given them first-hand, in-person, desperately necessary knowledge of what a well-rounded offense is supposed to look like.

Against the Heat, Marcus Smart got roasted on back-door cuts by Duncan Robinson, who moves well without the ball but isn't exactly the modern-day John Havlicek. Jaylen Brown scheduled frequent power naps on defensive possessions throughout the playoffs. Jokic, Jamal Murray, and to a lesser degree Aaron Gordon would have made a habit of dismantling the Celtics' defense, over and over and over again.

If the Celtics are going to take the next step — actually, if they are going to avoid taking another step back — they need to get away from the excruciating my-turn, your-turn offense that Jayson Tatum and Brown too often play.

Iso ball is fine, sometimes, especially for a talent like Tatum, or when there's an obvious mismatch. But when it's a fundamental part of the offense, it doubles as a guarantee that you're not maximizing all five players on the court.

As for the other fatal flaw of the offense, I must admit, I'm not sure anything would cause Joe Mazzulla to deviate from his silly, short-sighted math game of structuring an offense around 3-point attempts.

Such an offense looks swell when everyone is shooting like an honorary Curry brother. But sometimes when the first couple of threes don't drop, the entire team goes cold. It becomes contagious, and the cure doesn't come until the next game. Or, in the case of the Celtics, who shot a combined 16 of 77 from three in Games 6 and 7 against the Heat, it doesn't come until the next season.

I know, the Celtics don't have anything resembling a Jokic, the fulcrum of all the Nuggets do so well. But we already know that this Celtics team can move the ball and play a selfless, versatile style of offense, because they did it this season for the first 25-30 games before devolving into their lousiest of habits as the season played on.

Getting to the Finals and getting rocked could have been the necessary reminder of what a serious NBA offense looks like. Perhaps playing the Nuggets would have helped the Celtics realize that they should play *like* the Nuggets.

■ So these welcome additions to the Celtics coaching staff mean Mazzulla is headed back to the second row, right? No? Are we sure?

Fine, I'll plead guilty to overt facetiousness there. Brad Stevens vowed to add experienced coaches to Mazzulla's staff, and within two weeks he had lived up to the vow, adding Sam Cassell (a 2008 Celtics champion) and the lesser-known but just as highly regarded ex-Bucks assistant Charles Lee.

These were welcome, necessary hires, but their arrival could lead to some interesting dynamics. While Mazzulla has a full season (including 20 playoff games) of coaching experience now, the argument can be made that he's the third-most qualified among them to be the Celtics' head coach.

Cassell, who also won a pair of championships as a player with the Rockets, has been an NBA assistant coach since 2008-09. Know what Mazzulla was doing that year? Averaging 2.7 points per game as a junior guard on West Virginia's Final Four team.

Cassell has the NBA pedigree that some Celtics players acknowledged valuing in a coach when Ime Udoka was hired before the 2021-22 season. He's also known to be blunt with players, as Udoka was, and this team certainly needs a voice like that in its ear.

And Cassell isn't even the lead assistant. That's Lee, a well-regarded tactician who won a title on Mike Budenholzer's bench with the 2020-21 Bucks. Lee entered the league as an assistant to Budenholzer on the 2014-15 Atlanta Hawks team that won 60 games, a team that included Al Horford and, somewhere down the bench, Mike Muscala.

I'll admit it. I think Cassell and Lee would be better fits as the head coach than the holdover head coach they are now working for.

Hopefully Mazzulla learned a lot from this season, and learns even more this offseason. Including how to utilize and trust assistant coaches who probably should be delegating to him rather than working for him.

■ I can't imagine Stevens is going to trade Brown for a lesser player and a couple of magic beans, so the best hope with how his status is resolved is that he signs the super-max extension and commits himself to learning how to dribble with his left hand and pass at an average NBA level.

Yeah, two weeks after it ended, I'm ready for the Celtics to run it back. I could see trading Smart; he's 29 years old now and his 30s could be rough, given his style of play. But my preference is to keep the current three-guard rotation, with Derrick White getting *by far* the most minutes of the trio next season and Malcolm Brogdon again providing offense off the bench. (His ill-timed injury seemed to cause amnesia with some fans regarding how important he was this season and how desperate the Celtics needed a player like him in last year's Finals.)

We'll get more into roster alterations and player priorities in the offseason. For now, you know where I stand. I like their players. It's their style of play that must change.

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Bruce Brown hopes to bring the NBA trophy to Dorchester for a visit to his old neighborhood.

Nuggets reach mountaintop

GARY WASHBURN

ON BASKETBALL

DENVER — The emotion of the sellout crowd at Ball Arena turned from anxiety to jubilation when Jimmy Butler missed a rushed 3-pointer with 15 seconds left. Denver has always been a Broncos town and most recently the Avalanche. The Nuggets were always the little engine that couldn't, a franchise that vigorously tried competing with the NBA elite but always fell short.

It wasn't until Dorchester native Bruce Brown was fouled with the Nuggets up 3 points that they could actually relax. The Miami Heat again played a valiant game Monday night, showing they would not be knocked out easily, despite trailing in this NBA Finals series, three games to one.

They punched first and then punched late but were too exhausted, too thin, and too dishevveled to make those final winning plays. The team that eliminated the Celtics in seven games finally relented to a better team, and for the first time in their 47 NBA years, the Denver Nuggets stood atop the (Rocky) mountain.

Brown, a Wakefield High School product and proud Bostonian, sank the clinching free throws in a 94-89 victory in Game 5 Monday. The Nuggets ascended from the most disrespected No. 1 seed in recent memory — picked by many pundits to lose in the conference semifinals to Phoenix and in the conference finals to the Lakers — to NBA champions.

"I think it's the first time I cried on the court ever," Brown said. "Other than being younger and losing. But it's great. It hasn't fully sunk in yet. We're just a great team. We just stayed together. We knew we were going to pull it out the whole time."

Brown said he will attempt to take the Larry O'Brien Trophy back to Dorchester for a visit to his old neighborhood.

"It just shows the kids from Boston that they can get here," he said. "They can do this. It's not just me. I was one of them before, in Dorchester, in Roxbury, in Fields Corner. They can do it, too."

Whether the Celtics would have provided the Nuggets more resistance is a question that will linger over the Boston organization for months.

Denver proved more poised and more precise than the Celtics when facing the Heat. The Nuggets were more successful against the zone, chased 3-point shooters off the line, and made Butler work to score his buckets.

It was a complete effort by one of the league's deeper teams whose catalyst is a modest, unassuming, and unlikely hero, two-time MVP Nikola Jokic. He was a draft-and-stash player nine years ago, a 41st overall pick who remained in Serbia for his first season before coming to the States.

He has transformed himself into the game's best player, despite a less-than-imposing physique and average athleticism. He is a maestro with the ball, with the ability to score at various angles, find open teammates with unorthodox passes, or flip in a 3-pointer.

He cemented himself as the best player in the world, winning the NBA Finals MVP, and he sheepishly accepted the award from commissioner Adam Silver as if it were a third-place ribbon at a local bake sale. The 28-year-old Jokic has made it clear that personal accomplishments mean nothing. He is uncomfortable talking about his statistics or awards.

"It's good. It's good. We did a job," said Jokic, who led Denver with 28 points and 16 rebounds. "I think we played the best basketball I'm not going to say in the postseason, but I think we were there playing the best basketball.

"Today we didn't make shots, but still, we defend. I think it's a great journey. Like you said, 41st pick, but that doesn't matter. When you're here, you're a player."

Denver coach Michael Malone, who was fired in Sacramento in 2015 after just 106 games but given another chance with the Nuggets just a few months later, has always been Jokic's biggest advocate, ripping the media for questioning whether he should be considered for a third consecutive MVP and crying for respect for his All-Star center and his team.

"You can look at it from the basketball perspective — two MVPs, Finals MVP, world championship, and everything he's done on the court — and then more important for me, you can look at off the court," Malone said.

"I've said this many times before, but Nikola even tonight, he's kind of acting like this was just another game. He's never changed with all the success, and he never will. It's just not in his nature."

The Nuggets have demonstrated that the road to the NBA Finals and a championship can be long and laborious, perhaps giving hope to the Celtics. Denver missed the playoffs in Malone's first three seasons and then lost in the 2020 conference finals before a humbling first-round elimination last year by the eventual champion Warriors.

After that loss, critics doubted Jokic's impact, despite his two MVPs; however, with a healthy Jamal Murray, the freshly signed Brown, and a strong supporting cast, the Nuggets finished with the best record in the Western Conference this season and went 16-4 in the postseason.

Murray tore an ACL and missed all of last season. He was devastated by the injury and slow to return to form, but he finally reached that All-Star level later in the season. In Game 5, he hit a pair of key fourth-quarter threes that helped fight off Butler, who scored Miami's last 13 points before a costly turnover and that missed 3-pointer.

"I just think he had continual trust in my game and what I'm trying to do out there," Murray said of Malone. "When I'm bringing the energy, making shots or not, he trusts me to make the right play.

"When we weren't that good, he had to have that kind of authority and defensive mind-set and just get on us and pull it out of us. Now it's like we know what we need to do to win. We know what to expect from each other, and we can get on each other to push each other to be better."

Denver is a prime example of an organization showing patience with a core and allowing that group to develop instead of making an impulsive move to break it up. The Nuggets tweaked and added, finally building a championship-caliber group that never wavered.

US OPEN

For Koepka, more chaos the better

By Doug Ferguson
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LOS ANGELES — Brooks Koepka is at a major and feeling as good as ever. His health. His trophy count. His mood.

Especially his mood.

Koepka all but shrugged at the chaos surrounding golf, an agreement between the PGA Tour and the Saudi national wealth fund that pays for LIV Golf, which turned enemies into friends. He remembers having breakfast at The Grove in Florida when he heard the news. And then he went out to practice for the US Open.

"There's four weeks a year I really care about and this is one of them," he said. "And I want to play well."

But when he finished speaking Tuesday, he hopped off his chair and said with the slightest smile, "See you at Travelers."

That would be the Travelers Championship next week, a PGA Tour event that excludes him as a LIV member.

A few minutes later, after a brief television interview, Koepka was headed toward the clubhouse at Los Angeles Country Club when someone referenced his cheeky remark by saying, "Really, Brooks?"

Another smile, and he moved his hand in a circular motion to indicate stirring the pot.

Rarely has such big news had so few answers, and Koepka was among those who wasn't sure where this business agreement among the PGA Tour, European tour and Public Investment Fund was headed, particularly as it relates to the future of LIV.

Nor does he particularly care.

Koepka cares about the majors, and no one is playing them better at the moment.

He had the 54-hole lead at the Masters until Jon Rahm tracked him down, and Koepka won his fifth major, the PGA Championship, at Oak Hill. That was his favorite, mainly because of injuries to his knee that made him wonder if his best golf already was behind him.

Koepka has said if healthy, that might have made his decision to defect to LIV Golf last year more difficult.

He's happy with where he is, no matter the format or how often he plays. Everything is geared around the majors.

The record is astounding. Along with his five majors, his has four runner-up finishes. Dating to 2015, when Koepka first became eligible for all of them, he has finished in the top 10 in 18 of his last 30 majors.

He has spent one round over two days on the North course at LACC, the front nine on Monday and the back on Tuesday, and then there will be nine holes on the final day of practice.

In the midst of these preparations is chatter about where the PGA Tour and LIV Golf is headed under the agreement. Some believe it can be a distraction, others figure it all goes away once numbers start to fill scorecards on Thursday.

Koepka doesn't mind either way.

"The more chaotic things get, the easier it gets for me," he said. "Everything starts to slow down and I am able to focus on whatever I need to focus on while everybody else is dealing with distractions, worried about other things."

He believes that's one reason he thrives in the biggest events.

"I enjoy the chaos," he said.

His definition of chaos is not just what happens off the course. Koepka thinks back to Shinnecock Hills for the 2018 US Open, when the course got away from the USGA (again) and no one from the final 22 groups broke par in the third round. That's the year Phil Mickelson swatted a moving ball on the 13th green out of frustration.

Koepka wound up winning, making him the first back-to-back US Open champion since Curtis Strange in 1989.

"Everybody was . . . complaining," he said. "They were all so focused on the golf course they kind of forgot about what was going on, that they were there to play a major championship. OK, the greens are pretty fast. But if you leave yourself with an uphill putt, it's not too bad."

He smiled as if everyone should know this.

Koepka clearly has a winning formula, and that starts with good health. A year ago, having not given his left knee time to heal, he tied for 55th in two majors and missed the cut in the other two. It was during that stretch he wondered if he could compete with the best every week.

And then LIV came calling and paying, he had a full offseason to recover, and he looks like the Koepka of old.

He's back to being "Big Game Brooks."

Koepka knows the history of the major, that it's how careers are measured. But the passion comes from experience.

And the majors is where it all starts with Koepka, who looked to be in fine form on so many levels with another major on the horizon.

Thursday's first-round tee times

1ST HOLE

9:45 a.m.: a-Deon Germishuys, Omar Morales, Jacob Solomon
9:56 a.m.: a-Michael Brennan, Ryan Gerard, Yuto Katsuragawa
10:07 a.m.: Hayden Buckley, Pablo Larrazabal, Adam Svensson
10:18 a.m.: Roger Sloan, Dylan Wu, Carson Young
10:29 a.m.: Ryo Ishikawa, Matthieu Pavon, Kevin Streelman
10:40 a.m.: Tommy Fleetwood, Shane Lowry, Justin Thomas
10:51 a.m.: Sungjae Im, K.H. Lee, J.T. Poston
11:02 a.m.: Corey Conners, Adam Scott, Gary Woodland
11:13 a.m.: Max Homa, Collin Morikawa, Scottie Scheffler
11:24 a.m.: Joel Dahmen, Adam Hadwin, Denny McCarthy
11:35 a.m.: Ryan Fox, a-Matthew McClean, Seamus Power
11:46 a.m.: a-Barclay Brown, Gunn Charoenkul, a-Mac Meissner
11:57 a.m.: Jesse Schutte, Andrew Svoboda, a-Alex Yang
3:15 p.m.: Brent Grant, Charley Hoffman, a-Vincent Norrman
3:26 p.m.: Simon Forsstrom, a-Maxwell Moldovan, Carlos Ortiz
3:37 p.m.: Eric Cole, Thriston Lawrence, Adam Schenk
3:48 p.m.: Alejandro Del Rey, Luke List, a-Wilco Nienaber
3:59 p.m.: Harris English, Adrian Meronk, Joaquin Niemann
4:10 p.m.: Wyndham Clark, Austin Eckroat, Alex Noren
4:21 p.m.: Cameron Davis, Russell Henley, Kurt Kitayama
4:32 p.m.: a-Sam Bennett, Matt Fitzpatrick, Cameron Smith
4:43 p.m.: Brian Harman, Billy Horschel, Chris Kirk
4:54 p.m.: Brooks Koepka, Hideki Matsuyama, Rory McIlroy
5:05 p.m.: Taylor Montgomery, Sebastian Munoz, Nick Taylor
5:16 p.m.: Olin Browne, Jr., a-David Puig, a-Karl Vilips
5:27 p.m.: Jonathan Grey, Corey Pereira, a-Isaac Simmons

10TH HOLE

9:45 a.m.: Berry Henson, Hank Lebioda, Ryutaro Nagano
9:56 a.m.: a-Wenyi Ding, Michael Kim, Jordan Smith
10:07 a.m.: Lucas Herbert, Scott Stallings, a-Preston Summerhays
10:18 a.m.: Ryan Armour, Jens Dantorp, Patrick Rodgers
10:29 a.m.: Thomas Pieters, a-Gordon Sargent, Aaron Wise
10:40 a.m.: Bryson DeChambeau, Tyrrell Hatton, Francesco Molinari
10:51 a.m.: Sergio Garcia, Tom Hoge, Sepp Straka
11:02 a.m.: Jason Day, Rickie Fowler, Justin Rose
11:13 a.m.: Si Woo Kim, Matt Kuchar, Patrick Reed
11:24 a.m.: Viktor Hovland, Jon Rahm, Xander Schauffele
11:35 a.m.: Stewart Cink, Martin Kaymer, a-Michael Thorbjornsen
11:46 a.m.: Paul Barjon, David Horsey, a-Brendan Valdes
11:57 a.m.: Bastien Amat, a-Jordan Gumberg, a-Kyle Mueller
3:15 p.m.: Nico Echavarria, Ross Fisher, Paul Haley II
3:26 p.m.: a-Nick Dunlap, Nick Hardy, Sam Stevens
3:37 p.m.: Romain Langasque, Taylor Pendrith, a-Aldrich Potgieter
3:48 p.m.: Abraham Ancer, Victor Perez, Andrew Putnam
3:59 p.m.: Keegan Bradley, Padraig Harrington, Phil Mickelson
4:10 p.m.: Mateo Fernandez de Oliveira, Emiliano Grillo, Mito Pereira
4:21 p.m.: Tom Kim, Sahith Theegala, Cameron Young
4:32 p.m.: Sam Burns, Dustin Johnson, Keith Mitchell
4:43 p.m.: Patrick Cantlay, Tony Finau, Jordan Spieth
4:54 p.m.: Min Woo Lee, Justin Suh, Davis Thompson
5:05 p.m.: Ben Carr, Mackenzie Hughes, Taylor Moore
5:16 p.m.: a-Frankie Capan, Patrick Cover, a-David Nyfjall
5:27 p.m.: a-Christian Cavaliere, Alex Schaake, Austen Truslow

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Baseball

RED SOX NOTEBOOK

Hernández loses place as starting shortstop

By Julian McWilliams
GLOBE STAFF

Kiké Hernández is no longer the Red Sox' everyday shortstop, manager **Alex Cora** said Tuesday before the team lost its second consecutive 10-inning game to the visiting Rockies, 7-6.

Hernández will shift to a utility role, playing second base and center field while **Pablo Reyes**, who started at shortstop Tuesday, will get most of the time at the position until **Yu Chang** (left hamate surgery) returns.

The move doesn't come as a surprise. Hernández leads the majors in errors with 14, 12 of which have been on throws. Hernández's most recent throwing error occurred during the fourth inning of Monday night's loss to the Rockies.

With two outs and a runner on second, Hernández collected a grounder cleanly but delivered a low throw to **Triston Casas**, one the first baseman, admittedly, should have scooped. But it skipped past Casas, allowing the first run of the game to score.

"It's the throwing, man," Cora said. "He has good mechanics. We've been surprised. He's been surprised. It's not for a lack of work, but I talked to him a little bit.

"There are a few plays, especially to his right, when he gets it on time and he slows down and he throws it away. He's always to his right."

Hernández will still be an option off the bench to hit and play shortstop late in games, Cora added. But that will be the extent of his time there.

Reyes had a clean night in field and went 2 for 4, while batting ninth.

Hernández isn't the only player who will see his time dwindle in the field. Casas, who is a minus-6 in defensive runs saved, will, too — though to a lesser extent than Hernández.

Justin Turner started at first Tuesday with Casas in the DH spot. His error in the ninth allowed the potential go-ahead run to reach base.

The Sox entered Tuesday with the second-most errors in baseball (48), and ranked 24th in defensive runs saved (minus-15).

"We went with our best defensive alignment," said Cora, who has been frustrated with his team's defense all season.

"It's not that we've given up on Triston, but we have got to keep working with him because he needs to be better. And that's something that we have recognized. Obviously, the roster is the roster and we have to play with it. But last night, I told [bench coach] **Ramon Vazquez** this is where we are going."

The return of Chang is still to be determined, however. The 27-year-old infielder, who was at Fenway Tuesday and took grounders at shortstop, was removed from a second rehab assignment recently after experiencing pain in his wrist area. For Chang, it's a matter of pain tolerance given that his left hamate was removed.

The loss of **Trevor Story** (elbow) has proven to be significant. Story, who said his plan is to return by August as the team's everyday shortstop, is at Fenway this week. The Sox have lacked a defensive anchor, something Story proved himself to be as a second baseman in his 94 games last season.

"If there's a book about baseball, rule No. 1 is that if you play bad defense, you don't win games," Cora said. "That's the bottom line. And when you give the opposition more than 27 outs, they're going to cash in. We can go back the last 10 days, you know, certain plays that we didn't make that gave the opposition an extra run."

Mondesi rehab derailed

Adalberto Mondesi (ACL) has been shut down from all baseball activities, Cora said. The team expected Mondesi to be a contributor to the club by now, but the middle infielder hasn't responded well to the rehab process . . . Righthander **John Schreiber** (shoulder) threw off flat ground out to 85 feet . . . **Joely Rodriguez** (lat/shoulder) is expected to throw a bullpen session in the upcoming days.

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Jess King does the honors on Pride Night at Fenway, throwing out the ceremonial first pitch.

Pride Nights step but work needs to be done

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Over 10 years, the event has swelled from an initial size of roughly 500 to over 4,000 attendees this year. Participants such as Mark Trulson, a high school teacher in California who drove across the country to attend Fenway's Pride Night, circle the date on their calendars.

The impact of such events — with a spotlight on the LGBTQ+ community on the field — can be considerable in countering historic messages of exclusion from sports.

"Growing up, you're playing baseball on Little League fields, you're hearing anti-gay slurs with a lot of regularity, I think, if you're a kid," said Alex Reimer, a staff writer at Queerty. "So I think when you can have an organization like the Red Sox put on a Pride Night . . . [it sends the message that] gay people belong here, too. And not only do they belong here, but we're going to have a night dedicated to them."

Yet the Red Sox — widely valued as allies and champions for inclusion — are one of a number of organizations across sports whose efforts to celebrate inclusion have been hindered by athletes who question the merits of Pride Nights and the teams' often unsatisfying handling of those challenges.

"I think right now, we see Pride to be in the crosshairs of a culture war," said Dr. Kristopher Wells of MacEwan University in Canada. "We're seeing that seep into sports. Unfortunately, it doesn't take much to actually undermine a lot of really great work that's happening."

In 2022, a handful of Rays players refused to wear rainbow-colored logos. A number of NHL players likewise declined to wear team-issued pride-themed apparel this season.

More recently, the Dodgers invited considerable scrutiny when they invited, then uninvited, then re-invited the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence — a nonprofit group whose members dress as nuns that has served the LGBTQ+ community for decades — to its Pride Night celebration.

The Blue Jays, who earlier this month initially committed to keeping reliever Anthony Bass following his amplification of social media posts calling for a boycott of businesses selling LGBTQ+-inclusive merchandise, last week changed course and released him for what they called "baseball reasons" — including that he'd become a distraction to the team.

Also last week, the Red Sox called up pitcher Matt Dermody, who in 2021 posted a homophobic tweet that dismissed the notion of Pride Month. He subsequently deleted it, and Sox officials say they failed to identify it before signing him.

While the team considered releasing him in spring training once they became aware of the tweet, it opted against doing so after feeling that Dermody was sufficiently contrite — and accepting of the organization's commitment to an inclusive environment.

The tweet came to light publicly after the team called up Dermody. Chief baseball officer Chaim Bloom inspired backlash when he framed the team's decision with the pitcher as part of a desire to be inclusive of a diversity of viewpoints, presumably including those that were hurtful to groups that have historically been subject to discrimination.

"The Red Sox were put to the test," said Reimer. "You have a player who stated anti-LGBTQ beliefs. How are you going to handle it? And they whiffed on that. And I think that's something that at least I will remember."

Bloom now regrets his handling of the matter, particularly given the discovery since Dermody's call-up of additional racially insensitive tweets.

"The way I expressed that, obviously with less information than I have now, wasn't the right way," said Bloom. "Obviously, our process in this case didn't permit us a full accounting [of the harmful nature of Dermody's tweets]. We can't undo that. We have to learn from that. But we know and I know that this that this did cause hurt. I'm sorry for that.

"I made a decision here that ended up hurting people. That's something I have to learn from."

Organizations will sometimes proceed cautiously in order to have an intended celebration of inclusion turn into its opposite.

While the Giants recently had players wearing pride-themed logos on their caps and patches on their jerseys, for instance, other clubs have declined to incorporate rainbow-themed elements on player uniforms out of concern that potential player pushback would run counter to the intended celebration.

While teams might try to impress upon players the importance of inclusion, there is also resignation to the fact that some players will not share the team's values.

"It's really hard because we do not mandate or dictate thoughts or beliefs of employees in terms of religious, political differences of opinion," said Sox CEO/president Sam Kennedy. "However, we do mandate and dictate that all of our employees treat each other or treat our fans with professionalism and respect. But we certainly acknowledge that either employees, players, alums, people have different viewpoints.

"And that makes it a challenge, because we're not mandating the collective thought of every single person that is either an employee or a fan of the Red Sox, what we are doing is sending the message that the Red Sox are welcoming, Fenway Park is welcoming, and our front office as welcoming."

Still, even as Pride Nights occasionally become subject in select instances to controversy (most go off flawlessly and without incident), their potential meaning for participants remains profound.

"This is a time when you need allies to stand up. it's incredibly important for our professional sports teams to stand up in support of human rights and Pride Night," said Wells. "You don't back down. You double down."

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Sox once again find 10th to be rocky road

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"It always sucks to lose a series, no matter who it is," said a dejected Christian Arroyo, who finished 0 for 4 despite a couple of hard-hit balls. "We probably did a good job today of fighting back from down, 4-0, but just couldn't put that finishing touch. Losing sucks. That's all you can really say about it."

Kutter Crawford was the reason for that 4-0 hole.

Entering Tuesday's game, Red Sox starters ranked fourth in the majors with a 3.42 ERA since May 17. They allowed two runs or fewer in 18 of those 24 games, while also tossing four consecutive quality starts.

Yet there wasn't anything quality about Crawford, who labored for four innings.

In the third, with the game scoreless, Crawford yielded back-to-back two-out singles to Profar and Ezequiel Tovar, then walked the Rockies' Ryan McMahon to load the bases. Elias Diaz then sent a towering fly ball to left-center that hit off the Green Monster, bringing in all three runs, while Diaz settled in for a double.

A single and a walk in the fourth led to a Brenton Doyle RBI double, making it a four-run Sox deficit.

"He was off today, commandwise," said Cora of Crawford, adding that the Tovar single after Crawford had him down 0-2 hurt the club. "Then we walked [one] guy and then the double off the wall. So, as far as like command, he was off."

Rockies 7, Red Sox 6

At Fenway Park

COLORADO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Profar dh	5	1	1	1	0	2	.247
Tovar ss	6	1	1	0	0	1	.246
McMahon 3b	3	1	1	0	2	1	.262
Díaz c	5	0	2	3	0	2	.296
Montes pr	0	1	0	0	0	0	.250
Wynns c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.200
Jones rf	4	1	2	0	1	0	.345
Grichuk lf	4	2	2	2	0	0	.316
Moustakas 1b	4	0	1	0	0	2	.250
Castro 2b	4	0	1	0	1	1	.263
Doyle cf	5	0	1	1	0	1	.217
Totals	**40**	**7**	**12**	**7**	**4**	**10**	

BOSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Verdugo rf	4	0	1	0	1	1	.285
Yoshida lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.297
Turner 1b	5	2	2	1	0	0	.272
Devers 3b	4	2	2	4	1	0	.247
Duvall cf	5	1	1	0	0	1	.362
Casas dh	2	0	1	0	2	0	.200
Duran pr-dh	0	0	0	0	1	0	.282
Arroyo 2b	4	0	0	1	0	2	.247
McGuire c	5	0	0	0	0	2	.265
Reyes ss	4	1	2	0	0	0	.288
Totals	**37**	**6**	**9**	**6**	**5**	**8**	

Colorado	003	100	000	3	—	7	12	0
Boston	000	211	000	2	—	6	9	1

E—Turner (1). **LOB**—Colorado 11, Boston 9. **2B**—Díaz (14), Jones (5), Grichuk (13), Doyle (4), Duvall (6). **3B**—McMahon (3), Díaz (1). **HR**—Devers 2 (17), off Anderson, off Carasiti. **SB**—Duran 2 (10). **SF**—Profar, Arroyo. **Runners left in scoring position**—Colorado 7 (Tovar 3, Díaz, Jones, Grichuk, Doyle), Boston 5 (Devers, Duvall 2, McGuire, Reyes). **RISP**—Colorado 5 for 15, Boston 2 for 11. **Runners moved up**—Yoshida, Casas. **GIDP**—Grichuk, Castro. **DP**—Boston 2.

Colorado	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Anderson	4⅓	5	3	3	1	6	89	3.16
Bird	1⅔	2	1	1	0	0	15	3.50
Hand	⅓	1	0	0	1	0	14	3.60
Lawrence	1⅔	0	0	0	2	0	28	3.08
Bard W 3-0	1	0	0	0	0	1	11	0.87
Carasiti	⅓	1	2	1	1	0	15	4.40
Johnson S 12	⅔	0	0	0	0	1	7	6.92

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Crawford	4	5	4	4	3	5	80	4.20
Jacques	2	3	0	0	0	0	25	0.00
Kluber	2	2	0	0	0	2	25	6.84
Martin	1	0	0	0	0	2	18	2.18
Garza L 0-1	1	2	3	2	1	1	18	4.09

Inherited runners-scored—Bird 3-1, Lawrence 2-0, Johnson 1-0. **IBB**—off Lawrence (Devers). **HBP**—by Anderson (Yoshida), by Kluber (Grichuk), by Garza (Moustakas). **WP**—Johnson, Crawford 2. **Umpires**—Home, Nic Lentz; First, Charlie Ramos; Second, Jeremie Rehak; Third, Chad Fairchild. **T**—3:29. **A**—31,400 (37,755).

The Sox offense, meanwhile, had been scuffling, scoring three runs or fewer in their last four games. To make it worse, the team was without a homer with a runner on base since June 1.

But Devers put an end to that woeful streak when he banged a homer off the Pesky Pole in the bottom of the fourth that was originally ruled a double, but overturned following a review.

"I never hit a home run that short," Devers said through the team's translator. "And, of course, that's something positive. But, at the same time, I don't feel better about the situation that the team is going through. So it's a tough, tough situation that we're going through right now."

The Red Sox chased starter Chase Anderson after just 4⅓ innings, which was the first time since May 27 that the Red Sox knocked out a true starter.

Jake Bird came in and Justin Turner singled home Pablo Reyes, but Alex Verdugo was thrown out on the play, electing not to slide. Cora was fine with Verdugo's decision, adding that he was trying to avoid the tag while also coming in full speed at home.

Arroyo tied the contest in the sixth with a sacrifice fly, but the Sox' inability to cash in ultimately downed them in this one, going 2 for 11 with runners in scoring position, while leaving nine runners on-base. Reyes represented the go-ahead run in the seventh, but was thrown out at home on a grounder with the infield drawn in.

"Today we played OK," Cora said. "We didn't pitch the way we've been pitching lately, but from my end, this is not deflating."

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Rockies catcher Elias Diaz tags out Alex Verdugo as he tried to score in the fifth inning.

Baseball

AL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
*Tampa Bay	48	21	.696	—	16-9	8-2	L 1
Baltimore	42	24	.636	4½	12-7	7-3	W 5
New York	39	29	.574	8½	11-12	5-5	W 1
Toronto	37	31	.544	10½	6-16	6-4	L 1
Boston	33	35	.485	14½	10-11	3-7	L 2
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Minnesota	34	33	.507	—	12-8	4-6	W 1
*Cleveland	31	34	.477	2	8-11	6-4	W 1
*Chicago	29	38	.433	5	15-11	6-4	L 2
Detroit	27	37	.422	5½	9-7	1-9	W 1
Kansas City	18	49	.269	16	5-12	1-9	L 8
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Texas	41	25	.621	—	14-7	5-5	L 3
Houston	38	29	.567	3½	13-6	4-6	W 1
Los Angeles	38	31	.551	4½	14-11	8-2	W 3
*Seattle	32	33	.492	8½	12-10	4-6	W 1
*Oakland	18	50	.265	24	4-23	6-4	W 6

NL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Atlanta	40	26	.606	—	17-6	7-3	L 2
*Miami	37	30	.552	3½	8-12	8-2	L 1
*Philadelphia	32	34	.485	8	5-8	7-3	L 1
New York	31	36	.463	9½	12-11	1-9	L 2
Washington	26	39	.400	13½	7-12	3-7	L 1
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
*Pittsburgh	34	30	.531	—	10-4	7-3	W 1
Milwaukee	34	33	.507	1½	8-5	4-6	L 5
Cincinnati	33	35	.485	3	11-12	7-3	W 4
*Chicago	28	37	.431	6½	3-8	4-6	L 1
St. Louis	27	41	.397	9	10-13	2-8	L 4
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
*Arizona	41	25	.621	—	16-9	8-2	W 6
*Los Angeles	37	29	.561	4	12-7	3-7	L 1
San Francisco	35	32	.522	6½	5-7	7-3	W 3
*San Diego	31	34	.477	9½	11-10	6-4	L 1
Colorado	29	40	.420	13½	4-15	4-6	W 3

* — Not including late game

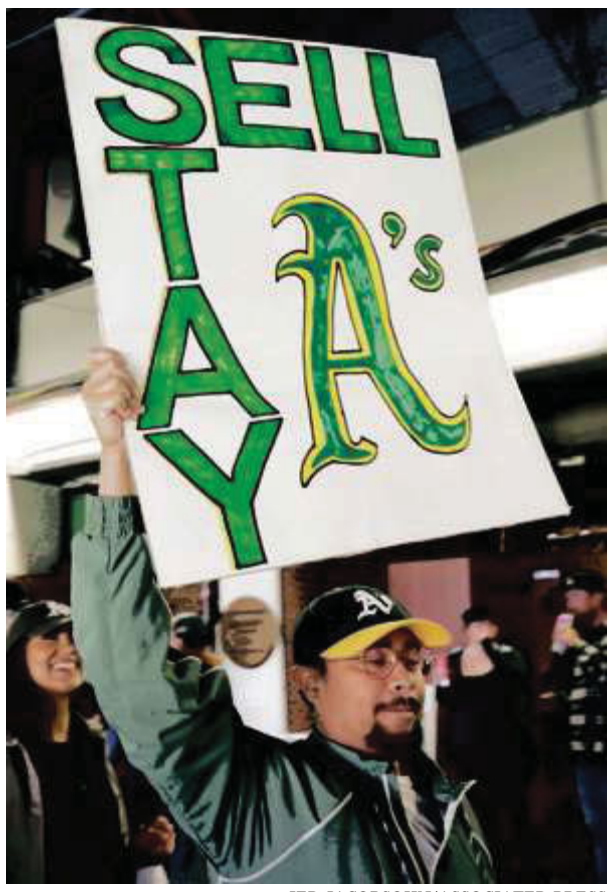
RESULTS

TUESDAY

Colorado 7 (10 inn.)	at Boston 6	Cincinnati 5	at Kansas City 4
Atlanta (ppd.)	at Detroit	At Houston 6	Washington 1
At Baltimore 11	Toronto 6	At San Diego 6	Cleveland 3
NY Yankees 7	at NY Mets 6	Miami	at Seattle
At Minnesota 7	Milwaukee 5	Philadelphia	at Arizona
San Francisco 11	at St. Louis 3	Tampa Bay	at Oakland
LA Angels 7	at Texas 3	Chi. White Sox	at LA Dodgers
At Chi. Cubs 11	Pittsburgh 3		

MONDAY

Colorado 4 (10 inn.)	at Boston 3	Cincinnati 5 (10 inn.)	at Kansas City 4
At Detroit 6 (10 inn.)	Atlanta 5	At Seattle 8	Miami 1
San Francisco 4	at St. Louis 3	At Arizona 9	Philadelphia 8
LA Angels 9 (12 inn.)	at Texas 6	At Oakland 4	Tampa Bay 3



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WEDNESDAY'S GAMES

	Odds	2023 W-L	2023 ERA	Team rec.	vs. opp W-L	vs. opp IP	vs. opp ERA	Last 3 starts W-L	Last 3 starts IP	Last 3 starts ERA
COLORADO AT BOSTON, 7:10 p.m.										
Gomber (L)	+190	4-5	7.57	7-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	10.2	12.66
Whitlock (R)	-235	3-2	4.78	4-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	16.0	3.38
ATLANTA AT DETROIT, 1:10 p.m.										
Smith-Shawver (R)	-170	0-0	0.00	1-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	5.1	0.00
Lorenzen (R)	+145	2-3	3.75	5-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	20.1	3.10
MILWAUKEE AT MINNESOTA, 1:10 p.m.										
Rea (R)	Off	3-3	4.47	6-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	16.0	3.94
Ober (R)	Off	3-3	2.61	5-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	16.1	2.76
SAN FRANCISCO AT ST. LOUIS, 1:15 p.m.										
DeSclafani (R)	+110	4-6	3.89	6-7	1-0	6.0	3.00	1-2	16.0	5.63
Montgomery (L)	-130	3-7	3.88	3-10	0-1	6.0	0.00	1-1	16.2	1.62
TORONTO AT BALTIMORE, 7:05 p.m.										
Berríos (R)	-110	6-4	3.61	8-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	17.2	1.53
Bradish (R)	-110	2-2	4.25	7-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	15.2	4.02
NY YANKEES AT NY METS, 7:10 p.m.										
Cole (R)	Off	7-1	2.84	11-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	18.0	4.00
Verlander (R)	Off	2-3	4.85	2-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	14.0	7.07
LA ANGELS AT TEXAS, 8:05 p.m.										
Detmers (L)	+120	1-5	4.79	4-7	0-1	4.0	6.75	1-2	15.2	4.60
Heaney (L)	-140	4-4	4.14	7-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	15.0	4.20
PITTSBURGH AT CHICAGO CUBS, 8:05 p.m.										
Contreras (R)	Off	3-5	5.91	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-1	9.1	14.46
Smyly (L)	Off	5-4	3.27	7-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-3	16.1	5.51
CINCINNATI AT KANSAS CITY, 8:10 p.m.										
Lively (R)	-120	3-4	4.21	2-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	19.1	5.59
Lynch (L)	+100	0-2	4.41	1-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	16.1	4.41
WASHINGTON AT HOUSTON, 8:10 p.m.										
Gray (R)	+210	4-5	3.00	6-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-0	14.1	4.40
Valdez (L)	-260	6-5	2.36	7-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-1	18.0	2.00
CLEVELAND AT SAN DIEGO, 9:40 p.m.										
Civale (R)	+115	2-1	2.31	2-2	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	16.1	3.31
Wacha (R)	-135	6-2	3.18	8-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	17.2	2.04
MIAMI AT SEATTLE, 9:40 p.m.										
Pérez (R)	Off	3-1	2.17	3-3	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	15.0	0.60
Castillo (R)	Off	4-4	2.70	6-7	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-2	19.0	1.89
PHILADELPHIA AT ARIZONA, 9:40 p.m.										
Suárez (L)	Off	1-2	4.70	4-2	0-0	5.0	9.00	1-1	19.2	1.83
Kelly (R)	Off	8-3	2.92	9-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	3-0	19.2	2.75
TAMPA BAY AT OAKLAND, 9:40 p.m.										
Glasnow (R)	-280	1-0	2.87	2-1	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-0	15.2	2.87
Medina (R)	+230	1-5	7.53	0-5	0-0	0.0	0.00	0-2	13.1	8.10
CHICAGO WHITE SOX AT LA DODGERS, 10:10 p.m.										
Clevinger (R)	+230	3-4	4.19	5-6	0-0	0.0	0.00	1-1	16.2	2.70
Kershaw (L)	-280	8-4	2.95	9-4	0-0	0.0	0.00	2-0	19.0	2.84

Team rec. — Record in games started by pitcher this season.

NOTEBOOK

Steinbrenner speaks on A's, low spenders across league

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The New York Yankees' **Hal Steinbrenner** says he's open to other baseball owners' consideration of proposing a salary cap for 2027, but only if small-market teams such as the Oakland Athletics are subject to a payroll floor, too.

Major League Baseball owners are meeting in New York this week following renewed discussion of a potential salary cap and amid the possibility of the A's relocating to Las Vegas. Oakland owner **John Fisher** is attempting to get $380 million in public funding from Nevada to construct a 30,000-seat ballpark in Las Vegas. The A's began the day a big league-worst 18-50 and are averaging a big league-low 8,555 fans at Oakland Coliseum.

Players have long opposed any salary cap for fear it would curb overall spending on player contracts, and they would likely fight off a cap proposal through a work stoppage.

Steinbrenner's support of a cap would depend on the figure, but he and the players agree over worries about some small-market teams not investing enough in their major league rosters.

"Any time a team is putting out a product that's not good for the industry as a whole, yes, I am absolutely concerned about that," Steinbrenner said Tuesday at the start of three days of owners meetings.

"I've always said that fans should not go to the first spring training game knowing that their team has no chance of making the playoffs. That's just not good for the game. It's not good for the industry."

The Yankees opened the season with a $275 million payroll, second only to the record $355 million of the Mets. Oakland was last at $58 million and Tampa Bay, which has the major leagues' best record, was 27th at $75 million.

"I understand some markets struggle more than others. I live in Tampa, so I know what the Rays go through," Steinbrenner said. "What really gets me going in a negative way is owners that aren't putting money into the team when they could. And it's happened in the past. It probably happens every year to a certain extent. That's what a lot of the owners like me don't like."

Athletics fans stage protests

Furious Oakland Athletics fans came en masse with a single message to owner **John Fisher**: "SELL."

Thousands of frustrated, heartbroken A's fans arrived early for tailgating and solidarity at the Oakland Coliseum ahead of a Rays-A's matchup to both celebrate their team and protest a planned relocation to Las Vegas. They called it a reverse boycott aimed at bringing as many people as possible to the ballpark, complete with bright green "SELL" T-shirts made by local company Oaklandish going to the first 7,000 to claim the fan-planned giveaway.

A "We Are Here!" poster provided specific instructions for every inning such as chants of "Sell the team! Sell the team!" for the first Tampa Bay batter in the top of the inning and "Stay in Oakland!" followed by five claps for the first hitter in the bottom half. The drummers in right field made a rare return, too.

The A's announced a couple of hours before first pitch that they will donate all ticket revenue from the game to charity, the Alameda County Community Food Bank and Oakland Public Education Fund — a total of $811,107.

Yankees rally past Mets

Clay Holmes pitched out of a bases-loaded jam in the eighth inning and the New York Yankees stormed back from four runs down against **Max Scherzer** to beat the skidding New York Mets, 7-6, in their wild Subway Series opener.

Giancarlo Stanton and **DJ LeMahieu** homered off Scherzer, and pinch-hitter **Josh Donaldson** drove in the tiebreaking run with a sacrifice fly in the sixth after **Brandon Nimmo** misplayed a ball in center field.

Before the seventh, reliever **Drew Smith** became the second Mets pitcher ejected this season for using an illegal foreign substance.

Orioles slug past Blue Jays

Rookie **Gunnar Henderson** extended his torrid-hitting spree with his first career grand slam, one of four home runs launched by the Baltimore Orioles in an 11-6 victory over the Toronto Blue Jays. It was the fifth straight win for the surprising Orioles, who climbed 18 games over .500 (42-24) for the first time since 2016, when they last reached the playoffs. Tampa Bay, which leads second-place Baltimore in the AL East, is the only team in the majors with a better record . . . **Drew Smith** became the second New York Mets pitcher to get ejected this season for using an illegal foreign substance when he was tossed from the Subway Series at Citi Field. The reliever never even threw a pitch — he was checked by umpires as he entered in the top of the seventh inning with the Mets trailing 7-6 and never made it to the mound . . . The Detroit Tigers and Atlanta Braves were rained out. The game will be made up as part of a doubleheader Wednesday . . . **Hunter Renfroe's** two-run home run capped a three-run sixth inning and the surging Los Angeles Angels beat the AL West-leading Texas Rangers, 7-3.

YANKEES 7, METS 6

NY YANKEES	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Bauers rf	3	0	1	2	0	1	.224
Donaldson ph	0	0	0	1	0	0	.143
Cabrera rf	1	0	0	0	0	1	.195
Stanton dh	4	1	1	1	0	1	.234
Torres 2b	5	0	1	0	0	0	.252
Rizzo 1b	4	1	1	0	0	2	.269
LeMahieu 3b	4	1	1	2	0	1	.236
Kiner-Falefa cf	4	1	1	0	0	0	.243
McKinney lf	4	1	1	0	0	2	.286
Higashioka c	4	1	2	0	0	1	.240
Volpe ss	4	1	2	1	0	0	.191
Totals	**37**	**7**	**11**	**7**	**0**	**9**	

NY METS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Nimmo cf	4	2	2	1	0	1	.286
Álvarez c	4	1	0	0	1	1	.236
Escobar pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.240
Narváez c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.240
McNeil lf	4	0	2	2	0	0	.278
Lindor ss	3	0	0	0	2	1	.213
Marte rf	5	1	1	0	0	2	.257
Baty 3b	4	1	2	1	1	0	.235
Pham dh	5	0	0	0	0	3	.235
Guillorme 2b	5	0	1	1	0	0	.225
Canha 1b	3	1	1	1	1	0	.247
Totals	**37**	**6**	**9**	**6**	**5**	**8**	

NY Yankees	1	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	— 7
NY Mets	2	2	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	— 6

E—Torres (7). **LOB**—Yankees 6, Mets 11. **2B**—Volpe 2 (7), Canha (13). **HR**—Stanton (6), off Scherzer, LeMahieu (7), off Scherzer, Nimmo (6), off Severino. **SB**—Marte (19). **SF**—Donaldson.

NY Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Severino	4⅔	7	6	5	3	4	6.48
Marincio W 3-3	1	1	0	0	1	0	3.45
JCordero	⅓	0	0	0	0	1	3.00
Kahnle	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Peralta	⅓	1	0	0	1	0	2.63
Holmes	⅔	0	0	0	0	2	2.48
King S 4	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.19

NY Mets	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Scherzer	3⅓	7	6	6	0	2	4.45
Leone	1⅔	0	0	0	0	2	4.50
Walker L 0-1	⅓	2	1	1	0	1	3.38
Brigham	⅔	0	0	0	0	0	3.75
Curtiss	2	1	0	0	0	2	4.20
Robertson	1	1	0	0	0	2	1.84

Inherited runners-scored—Marinaccio 1-0, JCordero 2-0, Holmes 3-0, Leone 1-0, Brigham 2-1. **HBP**—by Severino (Nimmo), by Peralta (McNeil), by Scherzer (Rizzo, Stanton). **Balk**—Severino 2. **WP**—Walker. **NP**—Severino 104, Marinaccio 21, JCordero 5, Kahnle 10, Peralta 11, Holmes 16, King 9, Scherzer 76, Leone 19, Walker 18, Brigham 8, Curtiss 22, Robertson 10. **Umpires**—Home, Rob Drake; First, Bill Miller; Second, Roberto Ortiz; Third, Chad Whitson. **T**—3:19. **A**—43,707 (41,922).

ORIOLES 11, BLUE JAYS 6

TORONTO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Springer rf	4	1	2	0	0	0	.260
Lukes rf	0	0	0	0	1	0	.158
Bichette ss	4	0	1	0	0	0	.316
Clement ss	1	1	0	0	0	0	.333
Guerrero 1b	3	0	1	1	0	1	.283
Biggio ph-1b	2	2	2	1	0	0	.202
Chapman 3b	5	0	1	0	0	2	.267
Merrifield 2b	3	0	1	0	0	0	.300
Espinal ph-2b	1	1	0	1	1	0	.211
Varsho lf	4	1	3	0	1	1	.231
Kirk dh	5	0	3	3	0	0	.266
Jansen c	5	0	0	0	0	4	.198
Kiermaier cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.295
Totals	**41**	**6**	**15**	**6**	**3**	**8**	

BALTIMORE	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Henderson dh	5	1	3	4	0	1	.246
Rutschman c	5	0	2	0	0	0	.276
Kolozsvary c	0	0	0	0	0	0	—
Santander rf	5	1	2	1	0	1	.263
McKenna rf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.229
O'Hearn 1b	5	1	1	2	0	1	.319
Hays lf	5	2	2	0	0	3	.303
Hicks cf	4	2	2	1	1	2	.245
Frazier 2b	5	1	2	3	0	0	.236
Urías 3b	5	2	2	0	0	3	.277
Mateo ss	3	1	1	0	1	0	.228
Totals	**42**	**11**	**17**	**11**	**2**	**11**	

Toronto	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	2	0	— 6
Baltimore	0	2	6	1	1	0	0	0	x	— 11

E—Espinal (6). **LOB**—Toronto 11, Baltimore 9. **2B**—Springer (9), Varsho 2 (11), Rutschman 2 (10), Hays 2 (18). **HR**—Biggio (6), off Voth, Henderson (10), off Bassitt, O'Hearn (5), off Bassitt, Hicks (3), off Francis, Frazier (8), off Bassitt. **DP**—Baltimore 1.

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bassitt L 7-5	3	11	8	8	1	5	4.02
Francis	2	4	2	2	0	2	5.79
White	2	2	1	1	0	2	7.36
Hatch	1	0	0	0	1	2	0.00

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Kremer W 7-3	6	8	2	2	0	6	4.74
Baker	1	1	0	0	0	1	3.45
Voth	⅓	3	2	2	1	0	4.94
Pérez	1⅓	2	2	2	2	0	4.88
Baumann	⅓	1	0	0	0	1	3.93

Inherited runners-scored—Pérez 2-0, Baumann 3-1. **Balk**—Francis. **WP**—White. **NP**—Bassitt 77, Francis 42, White 38, Hatch 22, Kremer 95, Baker 12, Voth 26, Pérez 23, Baumann 11. **Umpires**—Home, Ron Kulpa; First, Junior Valentine; Second, Carlos Torres; Third, Brock Ballou. **T**—3:10. **A**—16,018 (45,971).

REDS 5, ROYALS 4

CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Friedl cf	3	0	2	1	1	0	.321
McLain dh	3	0	0	0	1	2	.322
India 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.274
De La Cruz ss	3	1	0	0	1	2	.267
Steer 1b	4	0	1	1	0	1	.278
Stephenson c	4	1	0	0	0	0	.249
Benson rf	2	1	0	0	1	0	.227
Hopkins ph-rf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.158
Newman 3b	4	1	1	1	0	0	.270
Fairchild lf	3	1	1	1	0	0	.232
Totals	**30**	**5**	**5**	**4**	**5**	**5**	

KANSAS CITY	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Pratto 1b	4	1	1	0	0	1	.281
Perez c	4	1	1	0	0	1	.275
Witt ss	4	1	1	2	0	1	.237
Melendez rf	3	0	1	1	0	0	.217
Garcia 3b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.254
Olivares dh	4	1	1	0	0	0	.246
Duffy 2b	2	0	1	1	0	0	.312
Massey ph-2b	1	0	0	0	1	0	.221
Waters cf	3	0	0	0	0	1	.182
Blanco lf	3	0	1	0	1	1	.286
Totals	**32**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**2**	**5**	

Cincinnati	0	5	0	0	0	—	5	5	1	
Kansas City	1	1	2	0	0	0	—	4	8	1

E—Williamson (2), Duffy (6). **LOB**—Cincinnati 3, Kansas City 5. **2B**—Newman (11), Olivares (10), Duffy (4). **HR**—Witt (11), off Williamson. **SB**—Friedl (7), De La Cruz (5), Fairchild (8). **CS**—Witt (6). **SF**—Melendez. **DP**—Cincinnati 2; Kansas City 2.

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Willimsn W 1-0	5	7	4	3	0	1	5.40
Duarte	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Gibaut	⅓	0	0	0	2	0	3.06
Sims	1⅔	1	0	0	0	3	3.04
Díaz S 16	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.65

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lyles L 0-11	6	5	5	5	3	4	6.89
Kowar	1	0	0	0	1	1	4.15
Cox	2	0	0	0	1	0	0.00

Inherited runners-scored—Sims 3-0. **HBP**—by Gibaut (Waters). **WP**—Lyles. **NP**—Williamson 78, Duarte 7, Gibaut 20, Sims 24, Díaz 13, Lyles 94, Kowar 20, Cox 23. **Umpires**—Home, Ben May; First, Jeff Nelson; Second, Tom Hanahan; Third, CB Bucknor. **T**—2:30. **A**—16,931 (37,903).

CUBS 11, PIRATES 3

PITTSBURGH	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Marcano ss	4	0	0	0	0	2	.252
Reynolds dh	4	0	1	0	0	1	.280
Suwinski cf	2	2	2	2	2	0	.253
Santana 1b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.223
Joe lf	3	0	0	0	1	2	.247
Palacios rf	3	1	1	0	0	0	.273
Mathias ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Hayes 3b	4	0	1	0	0	1	.261
Bae 2b	3	0	1	1	0	1	.271
Castro ph	1	0	0	0	0	0	.267
Hedges c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.179
Totals	**32**	**3**	**7**	**3**	**3**	**8**	

CHI. CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Tauchman cf	4	1	2	0	1	0	.274
Hoerner 2b	4	3	1	0	1	0	.281
Suzuki rf	4	2	1	0	1	0	.277
Happ lf	2	3	1	4	1	1	.262
Morel lf	1	1	1	3	0	0	.267
Swanson ss	5	0	2	1	0	0	.257
Mervis 1b	3	0	1	1	0	1	.170
Mancini ph-1b	1	0	0	0	0	1	.234
Mastrobuoni dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	.153
Gomes ph-dh	1	0	1	2	0	0	.273
Madrigal 3b	4	0	2	0	0	0	.245
Barnhart c	4	1	2	0	0	2	.181
Totals	**36**	**11**	**14**	**11**	**4**	**6**	

Pittsburgh	1	1	0	0	0	—	3	7	0	
Chi. Cubs	3	0	0	1	4	3	x	—	11	14

LOB—Pittsburgh 5, Chi. 6. **2B**—Palacios (2). **HR**—Suwinski 2 (15), off Taillon, off Taillon, Happ (5), off Ortiz, Morel (11), off Zastryzny. **SB**—Hoerner (15). **CS**—Bae (6). **DP**—Pittsburgh 1; Chi. 1.

Pittsburgh	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Ortiz L 1-3	5⅓	6	4	4	2	4	4.64
Moreta	⅔	2	0	0	0	0	1.80
Ramirez	⅓	3	4	4	1	0	2.86
Zastryzny	1⅔	3	3	3	1	2	5.63

Chi. Cubs	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Taillon W 2-4	6	6	3	3	2	4	6.70
Merryweather	1	1	0	0	0	2	3.49
Leiter	1	0	0	0	1	2	3.04
Kay	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00

Inherited runners-scored—Moreta 2-1, Zastryzny 3-2. **HBP**—by Ramirez (Happ). **NP**—Ortiz 92, Moreta 11, Ramirez 26, Zastryzny 33, Taillon 95, Merryweather 16, Leiter 16, Kay 9. **Umpires**—Home, John Tumpane; First, Marvin Hudson; Second, Brian Walsh; Third, Hunter Wendelstedt. **T**—2:41. **A**—33,740 (41,649).

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

1952: Warren Spahn of the Boston Braves struck out 18 Cubs in a 3-1, 15-inning loss to Chicago. Spahn also homered.
1953: The Yankees swept Cleveland, 6-2 and 3-0, to extend the team's winning streak to 18 consecutive games.
1963: Duke Snider hit his 400th career home run to highlight a 10-3 triumph by the Mets over the Reds at Crosley Field.
1965: Jim Maloney struck out 18 and no-hit the Mets for 10 innings, but Johnny Lewis's leadoff home run in the 11th inning gave the Mets a 1-0 win.

ANGELS 7, RANGERS 3

LA ANGELS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Ward lf	4	0	0	1	0	3	.239
Ohtani dh	2	2	2	0	3	0	.296
Drury 1b	5	0	2	1	0	2	.255
Rendon 3b	5	1	0	0	0	1	.256
Renfroe rf	4	1	1	2	0	0	.242
Rengifo 2b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.212
Moniak cf	4	0	1	0	0	1	.294
Wallach c	2	2	1	0	2	1	.279
Neto ss	3	1	1	2	0	0	.259
Totals	**33**	**7**	**8**	**6**	**5**	**8**	

TEXAS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Semien 2b	4	0	0	0	1	0	.284
Seager ss	5	2	3	1	0	0	.357
Lowe 1b	5	1	3	2	0	1	.272
García rf	5	0	0	0	0	2	.258
Jung 3b	3	0	0	0	0	1	.284
Heim c	4	0	2	0	0	0	.284
Jankowski pr-lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.293
Grossman dh	3	0	0	0	1	1	.233
Duran lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.302
León c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.146
Taveras cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	.301
Totals	**37**	**3**	**9**	**3**	**2**	**7**	

LA Angels	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	4	— 7
Texas	0	0	2	0	1	0

Schools

MIAA BASEBALL SEMIFINALS

Seekonk halts English's unbeaten run in Div. 4

By Mike Puzzanghera
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

After an eight-inning pitchers duel at LeLacheur Park Tuesday night, Seekonk is headed to the Division 4 state final for the second straight year.

An RBI single from sophomore Connor Flynn put the No. 3 Warriors ahead to stay in the eighth, handing No. 2 Boston English its first loss, 2-0, in the state semifinals.

Seekonk (20-4) will face No. 12 Abington in the Division 4 championship game.

Senior Jaden Arruda dazzled for the Warriors, striking out 10 in six one-hit innings and sitting down 11 in a row at one point. But at the same time, the Blue & Blue (23-1) received a stellar performance from senior Nanfer Duarte, who pitched seven shutout innings with nine strikeouts before surrendering two runs in the eighth.

"[Jaden's] been lights out all year, but today he was just on a different level," Flynn said. "I haven't seen him pitch like that in a long time, not since we were little. I've been playing with him since we were in Little League. He was lights out all game."

Junior Declan Lush pitched two shutout innings in relief to earn the win for the Warriors.

Abington 5, Northbridge 1 — In a marathon four-hour game, that started with seven no-hit innings from Abington starter Steve Madden, the No. 12 Green Wave put up a five-spot in the top of the 14th to defeat No. 9 Northbridge at LeLacheur Park in Lowell to return to the Division 4 state final for the second time in three years.

"We just watched 14 innings of intense, crazy high school baseball where neither team wanted to give in," Abington coach Stephen Perakslis. "The pitching on both sides was outstanding."

Division 1 State

Taunton 10, St. John's (Shrewsbury) 0 — With the score knotted at 3 in the fourth inning of Tuesday's Division 1 state semifinal, anticipation intensified inside Fitton Field as Taunton slugger Ryan MacDougall faced a full count with the bases loaded. Four pitches prior, the senior lefty had narrowly missed a homer, hooking a foul ball to right.

"I knew if I got a fastball I couldn't miss it this time," said MacDougall.

MacDougall received the fastball he desired and cranked the letter-high offering deep to the right-center field alley for a two-hopper off the fence.

The bases cleared and MacDougall strolled into third with a triple, much to the joy of his teammates who poured out of the dugout in celebration.

After trailing 3-0, Taunton suddenly had a 6-3 lead and was on its way to outslugging sixth-seeded St. John's Shrewsbury, 10-5, drawing the second-seeded Tigers (20-4) within one win from repeating as Division 1 state champions.

"I can't say enough about the camaraderie and effort they give," said Taunton coach Blair Bourque. "We're never out of a game so they just keep plugging away and battle back."

Franklin 4, Methuen 0 — To set up a Division 1 state final rematch with Taunton, top-seeded Franklin manufactured runs and rode the arms of Austin Campbell (5 innings, 3 hits, 7 strikeouts) and Dillon Cashin (2 innings, 3 strikeouts) to earn a shutout semifinal win over Methuen in Worcester.

"Overall, I thought we were relentless against two really good arms," said Franklin coach Zach Brown. "I thought we did a good job battling and we found a way to score enough runs to move on."

Franklin (22-3) was motivated all year to get back to the final and avenge last year's 2-1 loss to Taunton.

"I wouldn't want to play any other team in the finals but Taunton," said Eisig Chin, who led the offense with two hits and two runs. "Last year burned to our core and we came back this year working extra hard."

Division 2 State

Milton 4, Whitman-Hanson 0 — Milton coach Brendan Morrissey pulled ace Scott Longo in the seventh inning for one reason, and one reason only: "So that he can bounce back and close out the state championship," Morrissey said.

Longo — who twirled 6⅓ shutout innings and struck out 15 — was close to unhittable as the top-seeded Wildcats (21-3) earned a Div. 2 semifinal win over the fifth-seeded Panthers at Fraser Field to earn a rematch with King Philip in the state championship game.

"I knew if I trusted my stuff and went out and threw Scott Longo's game, then we'd come out with the win," Longo said.

King Philip 6, St. Mary's 4 — After allowing two runs in the top of the first inning, King Philip needed a spark. Taking advantage of the cavernous outfield at Haverhill Stadium, Matt Kelley provided it with an inside-the-park, two-run homer to tie the game.

Two innings later, the senior came up with a momentum-changing play again.

This time, he raced around to score from first on a two-run single from sophomore Drew Herlin that put the No. 3 Warriors (17-7) ahead for good in a Division 2 semifinal win over the 10th-seeded Spartans.

Division 3 State

Medfield 8, Bishop Stang 4 — In a game defined by its miscues, the second-seeded Warriors proved their resiliency with a semifinal victory over the third-seeded Spartans at Campanelli Stadium in Brockton.

After allowing four runs (three earned) on 47 pitches in the first two innings, Jacob DeCoste buckled down and stuck around to induce the final out, surrendering three hits over the final five innings, scattering six strikeouts.

Mike Puzzanghera reported from Haverhill and Lowell, Matt Doherty from Worcester, Mitch Fink from Lynn, and Brendan Kurie from Brockton.

MIAA LACROSSSE SEMIFINALS

Westwood girls, again, find a path to D1 final

By Trevor Hass
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

After a dominant first half Tuesday, the Westwood girls' lacrosse team appeared to be well on their way to a stress-free victory over Franklin.

The Panthers, however, had other ideas. Franklin snatched momentum and consistently chipped away, slicing the deficit from seven goals to one with 3:44 remaining.

As the two-time defending champion Wolverines have shown in recent years, though, they have a knack for finding the necessary poise when it matters most. Lil Hancock won a decisive draw, and Westwood played keep-away to run out the clock and cement a thrilling, 10-9, Division 1 semifinal victory at Walpole High.

The No. 3 Wolverines (22-3) advance to Saturday's state final to face No. 1 Lincoln-Sudbury at Babson.

"Digging in and playing with heart makes a huge difference," Westwood coach Margot Spatola said.

Hancock, Caroline Nozzolillo, Emilie DeMaio, and Charlotte DeMaio paced the Wolverines with two goals apiece.

Westwood built a commanding 8-1 halftime edge behind goalie Riley Harrington's stellar play, but Katie Peterson (four goals) and Jamie Tanner (three goals) anchored Franklin's second-half surge.

It was a spirited comeback, but Westwood had one last gasp to survive and advance. Spatola believes her team will need to piece together a more consistent effort to end up on top.

Lincoln-Sudbury 7, Reading 3 — The top-seeded Warriors (20-2) combined a staunch defense with three second-half goals by sophomore Ella Ryan to beat No. 5 Reading (22-2) in a semifinal victory at Burlington High.

It wasn't picturesque in the second half, but it didn't have to be, as Westwood withstood a furious rally from the No. 7 Panthers (21-3).

"Our defense has definitely been a signature piece for us over the last couple of years," said L-S coach Kaillie Kelly. "We play a different style that's pretty fun, engaging, and can cause some turnovers. It's been a momentum-builder for us this year and something our team really believes in."

That defense was anything but fun for Reading in the first half. L-S led 3-0 at the break, the first time all season the Rockets have been shut out for 25 minutes. L-S's three scores came from Harper Friedholm, Reagan Malo, and Katie Wolin.

Senior captain and Tufts commit Magdalena Rieper came out hot and scored five first-half goals, adding two tallies in the second frame. Equally as dominant was Rieper's fellow captain Mia Guarini, a UNC-Charlotte commit who netted six goals.

Weston junior Neta Leschly had eight goals for the Wildcats.

BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

Notre Dame-Hingham players celebrated one of their 22 goals in their Div. 2 semifinal win over East Longmeadow.

Boys' lacrosse

Division 1 State

St. John's Prep 14, Hingham 3 — Prep has left a wake of vanquished foes during its march to a third straight final.

The Eagles' latest triumph was a thrashing of Hingham in a semifinal at Weston.

The top-seeded Eagles (21-1) will face Catholic Conference rival BC High (20-2) for a third straight year in Saturday's state final at Burlington High (TBA).

Prep edged Hingham last June in the state semis, but left no doubt while racing to an 8-1 halftime lead in the rematch.

"Up to this point, but we hope we have one more," St. John's Prep coach John Pynchon said when asked if that was the best half his team has played all season."

"I thought we played well offensively and the defense was outstanding."

The fifth-seeded Harbormen (20-3) snapped a 15-minute scoreless drought when Joe Hennessey scored a pair of goals in the third, but Prep responded immediately with tallies from Lucas Verrier, Nate Jones, and sophomore pole Jack Weissenburger.

BC High 13, Acton-Boxborough 8 — On a foggy night at Burlington High, the second-seeded Eaglles (20-2) held off a dogged A-B squad (17-5).

"It was as expected," BC High coach Marcus Craigwell said, crediting A-B coach Pat Ammendolia and the Revolution.

"We knew it was going to be a battle, and it was a close game for 75 percent of the game. We just had to stick to our guns, stick to our plan. Their goalie was hot in the first half. We were winning faceoffs, which was helping, but this couldn't have been better to prepare us for our last game."

Eagles senior Shane McDonnell dominated action at the faceoff X, winning 20 of 25 draws, but the Revolution stayed close thanks in no small part to clutch goaltending from junior Will Steinkrauss (14 saves).

There were five ties in the first half and it was a 6-6 game at the break before BC High opened a two-goal in the third quarter and eventually gained some breathing room.

Revolution seniors Tyler Clayton (2 goals, 1 assist) and Ryan Cho (3 goals) led the offense with sophomore Trey Clayton (1 goal, 3 assists) facilitating.

Bob Holmes reported from Burlington and Nate Weitzer from Weston and Burlington.

BARRY CHIN/GLOBE STAFF

East Longmeadow's Adelaide Jordan has the attention of the Notre Dame (H) defense.

MIAA TOURNAMENT ROUNDUP

L-S, Lexington: a rematch

Will vie again in D1 girls' tennis

By Matty Wasserman
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

After squaring off in last year's Division 1 state final as the top two seeds, the Lincoln-Sudbury and Lexington girls' tennis teams are headed back to the title game — but not before surviving far more challenging paths to get there.

Playing side-by-side semifinal matches Tuesday at Newton South, third-seeded Lincoln-Sudbury notched a 4-1 victory over second-seeded Acton-Boxborough (10-2), earning wins from sophomore Lia Swire at second singles (6-3, 7-6), senior Carly Heslop at third singles (6-2, 6-2), sophomore Nina Gill and freshman Asha Nagel at first doubles (6-2, 6-1), and senior Heather Nuam and sophomore Lindsey Grosbery at second doubles (7-5, 5-7, 10-7 tiebreaker).

Just feet away, the Minutemen edged out top-seeded Boston Latin, 3-2, securing victories from star sophomores Diya Pachamuthu (6-1, 6-4) and Kyra McCandless (6-0, 6-0) at first and second singles, respectively, and a dramatic three-set victory by senior and sophomore Sally Choi and senior Aushra Sahani (7-6 (7-3), 2-6, 6-4) to secure the win.

L-S (16-3) and Lexington (20-1) will square off Saturday at MIT (time TBA).

Division 3 State

Newburyport 5, Dover-Sherborn 0 — With their semifinal sweep at North Reading High, the defending state champion Clippers (19-3) not only advanced to Saturday's final against Weston, but ended Dover-Sherborn's undefeated season.

Caroline Schulson, the top player in her age group in the state, won at first singles against D-S's formidable Claire Caffrey, 6-1, 6-0. At second singles, Harper Bradshaw battled Leah Hills in the semifinal's longest match, 7-6, 7-6.

In the toughest match of the day, Bridgette Mellete and Lauren Brennan edged Laura Green and Sofia Romoli at second doubles, 7-6 (7-0), 2-6, 10-8.

Boys' volleyball

Division 1 State

Needham 3, St. John's (S) 0 — The two-time reigning state champion has acquired a wealth of postseason experience.

Even the best tests from fourth-seeded St. John's (Shrewsbury) didn't faze the Rockets. Top-seeded Needham used well-timed runs to put away all three sets, triumphing, 25-13, 25-23, 25-17, in a semifinal at Concord-Carlisle High to capture its 72nd consecutive victory.

The Rockets (26-0) were locked into an 11-11 tie before laying down 10 straight points in the first set. They trailed, 21-18, in the second before a tide-turning 7-2 surge. Then, at 15-all in the third set, Needham used a 10-2 surge to close out the match.

Newton North 3, Brookline 2 — After allowing a commanding two-set lead to evaporate, nerves were admittedly creeping in for the seventh-seeded Tigers (14-6) as they regrouped for the fifth set against 11th-seeded Brookline.

The momentum had completely flipped. Brookline's large traveling fan section was deafening at Newton South.

But with their backs against the wall, the Tigers buckled down.

Powered by senior setter Tyler Randall and star junior Adam Christianson, Newton North clawed back for a thrilling 25-16, 25-12, 24-26, 18-25, 15-13 victory.

"It was an emotional roller coaster," Randall said. "Going up two [sets], we're feeling really confident. And then to have those next to go their way . . . I loved it, but I wish we could have put it away in three."

Division 2 State

Westfield 3, Milford 1 — The defending state champion Bombers (23-2) can feel the target on their backs.

"I do think everybody is out to get us a little bit," Westfield senior captain Nick Maslar said.

On Tuesday, No. 4 Milford would not go down easily. After the Bombers surged to a 2-0 lead, the Hawks responded with a dominant third set, eventually winning, 25-20.

Still, Westfield survived and put together a quality fourth set, winning, 25-21, to clinch the semifinal win at Worcester North.

For Milford (16-7), junior Alex Guerra was difficult to stop from his outside hitter spot, and he, along with most of Milford's

Agawam 3, O'Bryant 0 — Outside hitter Dan Yovenko surpassed 1,000 career kills, recording a team-leading 18 and propelling the second-seeded Brownies (14-1) over No. 6 O'Bryant (19-5) in a semifinal at Assabet Valley in Marlborough. Though O'Bryant fought to stay in the match, Agawam proved to be too much for the City League champions in a 25-17, 25-21, and 25-21 win.

Son Nguyen, who helped power O'B to its first final four appearance, broke Ricky Lee's career assist record of 1,647.

Kat Cornetta reported from North Reading, Ethan Fuller from Concord-Carlisle, and Colin McCarthy from Worcester North. Julia Yohe contributed to this story..

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LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Christian E. Weir and Roberta A. Weir to Generation Mortgage Company, dated June 30, 2009 and registered at Norfolk County Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 1180042 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 72230 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Mortgage Asset Management, LLC is the present holder by Assignment from Generation Mortgage Company to Nationstar Mortgage LLC dated December 1, 2013 and registered as Document No. 1300966 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 72230, and Assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company dated February 10, 2020 and registered as Document No. 1441388 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 72230, and Assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company to Mortgage Assets Management, LLC dated October 20, 2022 and registered as Document No. 1511874 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 72230, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 114 Granite Street, Medfield, MA 02052 will be sold at a Public Auction at 3:00 PM on July 10, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

the land with the buildings thereon situated in Medfield, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows:

Westerly by Granite Street, one hundred fifty-two and 52/100 (152.52) feet; northerly by Lot 4 on a plan hereinafter mentioned, three hundred thirty-one and 41/100 (331.41) feet; easterly by land of Wilbur F. Garabedian, et al, as shown on said plan, one hundred seven and 79/100 (107.79)) feet; and southerly by Lot 2 on said plan, two hundred eighty-seven and 24/100 (287.24) feet.

All of said boundaries are determined by the Court to be located as shown on plan #30013A, complied from a plan drawn by Cheney Eng. Co., dated April 8, 1960, and additional data on file in the Land Registration Office, all as modified and approved by the Court, and said premises are shown as Lot 3 on said plan.

For mortgagor's title see deed registered at Norfolk County Registry District of the Land Court as Document Number 241578 and Noted on Certificate of Title Number 72230.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of $10,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Mortgage Asset Management, LLC
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
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Weir, Christian E. and Roberta B. Weir, 22-041155

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Conservation Commission of the City of Waltham will hold a **Public Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 22, 2023, under Chapter 131, Section 40 of MGL on the following: **Request for Determination of Applicability**. **Applicant**: Mark and Jayne LaForest. **Project Location:** 146 Lakeview Ave. Map R022, Block 005, Lot 0002. **Project Description:** Add a second floor addition and reconstruct the front porch.

Pursuant to relevant legislation, including Mass. Acts 2023 c.2; 2022 c.107; and 2021 c.20, this meeting will take place remotely. Public access will be available by Zoom call. A website for the meeting will be provided on the agenda posted on the Conservation Commission page of the City's website not less than 48 hours prior to the meeting. All Open Meeting Law requirements will be met.

Members: Chair Philip Moser, Vice Chair William Doyle, P.E., Bradley Baker, Michael Donovan, Gerard Dufromont, Louis Andrews, Alexander Sbordone.

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Donna M. McClellan to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Urban Financial of America, LLC, dated December 30, 2013 and recorded in the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 32005, Page 466, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Urban Financial of America, LLC, its successors and assigns to Finance of America Reverse LLC, recorded on February 9, 2023, in Book No. 41051, at Page 33

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on June 28, 2023, on the mortgaged premises located at 71 Blacksmith Drive, Medfield, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
All that certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated at and presently numbered as 71 Blacksmith Drive, Medfield, Norfolk County, Massachusetts and being bounded and described as follows: SOUTHEASTERLY by Blacksmith Drive, by two lines measuring 74.26 feet and 74.11 feet, respectively; generally SOUTHERLY by the curved intersection of said Blacksmith Drive and Hutson Road, as is shown on the plan hereinafter referred to, 47.12 feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by said Hutson Road, 79.54 feet; NORTHERLY by land now or formerly of Robert C. and Elizabeth C. Miner, as shown on said plan, 58.65 feet; SOUTHWESTERLY again, by said Miner land, as shown on said plan, by two lines measuring 69.56 feet and 99.30 feet, respectively; and NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 68, as shown on said plan, 182.95 feet. Said premises contain 20,272 square feet of land and are shown as Lot 67 on a certain plan recorded with Norfolk Deeds as Plan No. 979 of 1966 in Plan Book 221 and are all and the same premises conveyed to us by deed of Henry M. Heald, Jr., Trustee, dated March 14, 1969 and recorded with said Deeds in Book 4580, Page 163. Said premises are subject to and have the benefit of full and free rights of way in and over all of the streets and ways shown on said plan and related plans of record and to an assessment for sewer betterments. SUBJECT TO all restrictions, exceptions, reservations, stipulations, conditions, rights of way and easements of record.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 31983, Page 312.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:
A deposit of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

FINANCE OF AMERICA REVERSE LLC
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
23495

WESTON CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Notice of Public Meeting
Pursuant to Mass General Laws, Chapter 131, Section 40, Massachusetts Wetlands Protection Act, the Weston Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on **June 20th, 2023 at 8:15p.m**. on a Request for Determination of Applicability application for 12 Wits End Road filed by Craig Hattabaugh for the update and repair of the lot's septic system. A portion of the work will take place within the 100-foot Buffer Zone of a Bordering Vegetative Wetland.

Information on how to attend this virtual Public Hearing will be provided on the Conservation Commission's Agenda posted on the Town's website (www.weston.org) at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or you may email conservation@westonma.govfor the agenda to be emailed to you. The NOI may be examined electronically here:
https://www.westonma.gov/DocumentCenter/Index/5062

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LEGAL NOTICE
MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Nancy Ann Casale to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., dated July 12, 2011 and registered at Barnstable County Registry District of the Land Court as Document No. 1169920 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 155356 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage Mortgage Assets Management, LLC is the present holder by Assignment from Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company dated September 12, 2017 and registered as Document No. 1329980 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 155356, and Assignment from Nationstar Mortgage LLC d/b/a Champion Mortgage Company to Mortgage Assets Management, LLC, its successors and assigns dated February 17, 2022 and registered as Document No. 1459692 and noted on Certificate of Title No. 155356, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 7 Sedgewick Lane, Sandwich, MA 02563 will be sold at a Public Auction at 12:00 PM on June 28, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The land, together with the buildings and improvements thereon, situated in the Town of Sandwich, County of Barnstable and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being bounded and described as follows:

LOT 86

Plan 35769-B (Sheet 5)

For title reference see Certificate of Title No. 155356.

For mortgagor's title see deed registered at Barnstable County Registry District of the Land Court as Document Number 783254 and Noted on Certificate of Title Number 155356.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

Terms of the Sale: Cashier's or certified check in the sum of $5,000.00 as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee(s) are exempt from this requirement); high bidder to sign written Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid; balance of purchase price payable by certified check in thirty (30) days from the date of the sale at the offices of mortgagee's attorney, Korde & Associates, P.C., 900 Chelmsford Street, Suite 3102, Lowell, MA or such other time as may be designated by mortgagee. The description for the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of a typographical error in this publication.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

Mortgage Assets Management, LLC
Korde & Associates, P.C.
900 Chelmsford Street
Suite 3102
Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500
Casale, Nancy Ann, 22-041032

Public Shade Tree Removal Hearing

In accordance with Chapter 87 of the Massachusetts General Laws, a Public Shade Tree Removal Hearing will be held via Zoom

On: Thursday, June 15th at 10:00AM
At: https://watertown-ma.zoom.us/j/82882442414

This hearing is to consider the proposed removal of three trees as part of the Arsenal St Project.

The species and Diameter at Breast Height (DBH) are as follows: 14"DBH Norway Maple
Location: **Irving Park opp. 19 South Irving Park**
Requested by: Superintendent of Public Works
Reason for hearing: Proposed removal for sidewalk installation.

Questions or concerns regarding this posting should be directed to the
Tree Warden's office at (617) 972-6420
or email: mmicieli@watertown-ma.gov

Mike Micieli,
Tree Warden

Date Posted
Thursday, June 8th

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By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Carmela Ravasini, Frank Ravasini,and Jack Ravasini, a/k/a Giacomo Ravasini, a/k/a Giocomo Ravasini to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as nominee for Liberty Home Equity Solutions, Inc., dated August 14, 2013 and recorded in Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 62497, Page 307 (the "Mortgage"), which was thereafter confirmed by a Confirmatory Mortgage recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 64170, Page 24 of which mortgage PHH Mortgage Corporation successor by merger to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Liberty Home Equity Solutions, Inc., its successors and/or assigns to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC dated January 25, 2018 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 70555, Page 164, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 8 Held Circle, Medford, MA 02155 will be sold at a Public Auction at 2:00 PM on June 28, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated in said Medford and being shown as Lot D41A on a plan made by Emmons & Fleming, Inc., Civil Engineers and Surveyors, dated December 1964, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, in Book 10798, Page 67, bounded and described as follows:

WESTERLY by Held Circle, by a curved line, twenty-five feet (25) feet;

NORTHWESTERLY eighty-three and 86/100 (83.86) feet;

NORTHERLY sixty-nine and 67/100 (69.67) feet, both by Lot D40A on said plan;

EASTERLY by land of owner unknown, one hundred and thirty-five (135) feet;

SOUTHERLY by Lot D42A on said plan, one hundred and seventeen and 57/100 (117.57) feet.

Containing 10,402 square feet of land, according to said plan. Said premises are conveyed subject to an easement to Mass. Electric Co. set forth in an instrument dated November 8, 1965 and recorded with said Deeds in Book 10977, Page 162; also subject to an easement set forth in an instrument dated November 8, 1965 and recorded with said Deeds in Book 10977, Page 163.

For title, see deed recorded at Book 62497, Page 304

Address: 8 Held Circle, Medford, Massachusetts 02155

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 62497, Page 304.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

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Other terms to be announced at the sale.

PHH Mortgage Corporation successor by merger to Ocwen Loan Servicing, LLC
Korde & Associates, P.C.
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Lowell, MA 01851
(978) 256-1500
Ravasini, Carmela and Frank Ravasini and Jack Ravasini, 22-041047

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Frank D. Faranda to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Washington Mutual Bank, FA, dated March 18, 2002 and recorded in Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 35083, Page 445 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., its successors and assigns to Wells Fargo Bank, NA dated June 5, 2009 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 54284, Page 59, and Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Washington Mutual Bank, FA, its successors and assigns to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. dated August 31, 2011 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 57398, Page 466, and Assignment from Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust dated May 19, 2016 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 67456, Page 241, and Assignment from U.S. Bank Trust, N.A., as trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust to Citibank, N.A. as Trustee for CMLTI Asset Trust dated July 11, 2018 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 71644, Page 382, and Assignment from Citibank, N.A., as trustee for CMLTI Asset Trust to Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust dated April 15, 2019 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 72544, Page 435, and Assignment from Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, d/b/a Christiana Trust, not individually but as trustee for Pretium Mortgage Acquisition Trust to J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp dated March 10, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 79914, Page 295, and Assignment from J.P. Morgan Mortgage Acquisition Corp to U.S. Bank Trust National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as owner trustee for RCF 2 Acquisition Trust dated August 31, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 80729, Page 462, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 180-182 Ash Street, Waltham, MA 02453 will be sold at a Public Auction at 11:00 AM on June 27, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon being at present number 180 182 Ash Street, Waltham, Massachusetts, bounded:

SOUTHERLY by Ash Street, sixty-five (65) feet;

WESTERLY by land now or formerly of Cook, later of Vinal, One Hundred fourteen (114) feet;

NORTHERLY by land of Waltham Clock Co., sixty-five (65) feet;

EASTERLY by land now or formerly of Mosebard, one hundred fourteen (114) feet.

Containing 7,410 square feet of land, be all said measurements more or less or however otherwise bounded or described.

For title reference, see Deed dated November 22, 1996 and recorded with the Middlesex South Registry of Deeds in Book 26849, Page 60.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 26849, Page 60.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

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Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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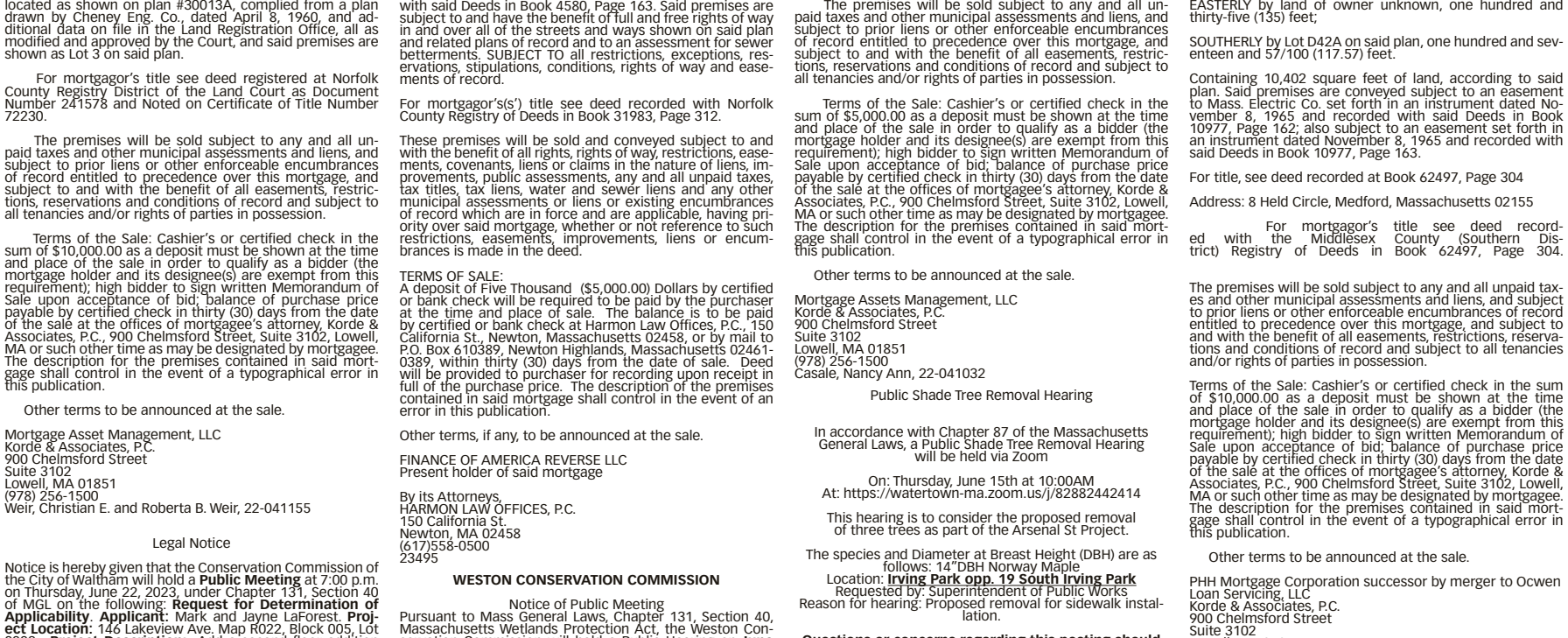

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By virtue of and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Catherine Grich to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Liberty Home Equity Solutions, Inc., its successors and assigns, dated September 5, 2014 and recorded in Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 28368, Page 82 (the "Mortgage") of which mortgage PHH Mortgage Corporation is the present holder by Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Liberty Home Equity Solutions, Inc., its successors and assigns to PHH Mortgage Corporation dated May 4, 2022 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 35096, Page 178, and Corrective Assignment from Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Liberty Home Equity Solutions, Inc., its successors and assigns to PHH Mortgage Corporation dated April 10, 2023 and recorded at said Registry of Deeds in Book 35725, Page 184, for breach of conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, the mortgaged premises located at 123 South Orleans Road, Unit No. 4, of the Pleasant Harbor Condominium, Orleans, MA 02653 will be sold at a Public Auction at 1:00 PM on June 21, 2023, at the mortgaged premises, more particularly described below, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

The Condominium Unit in Orleans, Barnstable County, Massachusetts, known as Unit 4 of the PLEASANT HARBOR CONDOMINIUM established by Master Deed dated April 8, 1977 and recorded with the Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 2490, Page 260.

The unit conveyed is laid out as shown on a plan recorded with said Registry in Plan Book 311, Page 48 and to which is affixed a verified statement of the form provided by M.G.L. Chapter 183A § 9. The unit conveyed is subject to and with the benefit of the obligations, restrictions, rights and liabilities contained in Massachusetts General Law Chapter 183A, the Master Deed and the By-Laws of the condominium.

The undivided percentage interest of the units conveyed hereunder in the common areas and facilities is 10%.

Property Address: 123 South Orleans Road, Unit 4, Orleans, Massachusetts 02653

For title see deed dated September 5, 2014, and recorded with the Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 28368, Page 78.

For mortgagor's title see deed recorded with the Barnstable County Registry of Deeds in Book 28368, Page 78.

The premises will be sold subject to any and all unpaid taxes and other municipal assessments and liens, and subject to prior liens or other enforceable encumbrances of record entitled to precedence over this mortgage, and subject to and with the benefit of all easements, restrictions, reservations and conditions of record and subject to all tenancies and/or rights of parties in possession.

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Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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Grich, Catherine, 22-039891

Legal Notice

Notice is hereby given that the Conservation Commission of the City of Waltham will hold a **Public Hearing** at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 22, 2023, under Chapter 131, Section 40 of MGL on the following: **Notice of Intent**. **Applicant:** Chris Legocki – Greystar Development East, LLC. **Project Location:** 379-395 Totten Pond Road. Map R031, Block 004, Lot 0008. **Project Description:** The proposed project consists of razing the existing structures located on-site, and the construction of a five-story office/research laboratory building with attached structured parking and associated surface parking. Proposed work will occur within Inland Bank and the 100-Foot Buffer Zone to Inland Bank and Bordering Vegetated Wetlands.

Pursuant to relevant legislation, including Mass. Acts 2023 c.2; 2022 c.107; and 2021 c.20, this meeting will take place remotely. Public access will be available by Zoom call. A website for the meeting will be provided on the agenda posted on the Conservation Commission page of the City's website not less than 48 hours prior to the meeting. All Open Meeting Law requirements will be met.

Members: Chair Philip Moser, Vice Chair William Doyle, P.E., Bradley Baker, Michael Donovan, Gerard Dufromont, Louis Andrews, Alex Sbordone

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MATTHEW J. LEE/GLOBE STAFF

In a jaw-dropping moment, Central Catholic revels in its first Division 1 title appearance.

MIAA SOFTBALL SEMIFINALS

Boyer sparks Central Catholic

By Cam Kerry
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Bella Boyer hits ninth in the Central Catholic lineup. But the ball jumps off the bat any time the sophomore center fielder makes contact.

In the bottom of the fifth inning of Tuesday's Division 1 softball semifinal at UMass Lowell, with the score tied at 2, Boyer delivered the hit of her varsity softball career.

Boyer clubbed a two-run homer as top-seeded Central Catholic defeated No. 5 Peabody, 4-2. The Raiders (23-1) advance to the state championship for the first time and will play the King Philip-Taunton winner Saturday at UMass Amherst.

In the first pitch of the at-bat, Boyer barreled into an arcing shot that landed well beyond the left field fence.

"The at-bat before that, I noticed that they were cramming me inside," said Boyer, who also cracked a double. "I've been working really hard with my hitting coach, and my dad, who also works with me at hitting, to make sure that I stayed loaded back and getting inside. I kind of saw it coming and just thought that I had to get a hard hit, wasn't thinking that I needed to hit a home run and get my hands through."

"Bella has done a couple of key, clutch things for us this year," said Central Catholic coach Stacy Ciccolo. "She's a solid contact hitter and that one she got a whole lot of."

Juniors Abby Bettencourt and Logan Lomasney hit solo home runs for the Tanners (20-2).

Division 3 State

Middleborough 3, Triton 0 — Middleborough senior captain Alex Welch thought she hit a high pop-up foul down the right field line.

But the entire Sachems team knew Welch had absolutely crushed a towering home run, immediately sprinting out of dugout to celebrate.

Welch has been on a tear, smacking her sixth home run of the postseason in a 3-0 Division 3 semifinal victory for sixth-seeded Middleborough over No. 7 Triton at Rockwood Field on the campus of Worcester State.

The Sachems (20-4) return to the Division 3 championship game to face the winner of No. 4 Norton and No. 9 Bishop Fenwick at UMass Amherst on a date and time to be announced.

Welch's two-run first-inning homer traveled well beyond the fence, over a massive protective net, and was announced as the farthest home run ever hit at Rockwood Field.

"I don't think that's fair, I don't know where that's going, it felt like a giant pop-up foul ball," said Welch.

"It went out, it was really surprising honestly. It felt really good though."

Fellow senior captain Cassidy Machado twirled a gem, striking out 15 in a three-hit shutout. The Nicholls commit worked both sides of the plate, exercising plus velocity and tight spin to stymie hitters.

"Again, you talk about your leaders: my two leaders, Cassidy and Alex, they make me look good," said Middleborough coach Dan Sylvia.

Sophomore Emma Penniman, the Cape Ann League Kinney MVP, struck out 10 for the Vikings (19-5).

SportsLog

Pastore (66) seizes lead at Mass. Open

After the amateurs lit up the first day of the 113th Massachusetts Open, the pros found their footing on Day 2 as Stamford, Conn., native **David Pastore** shot to the lead with a second-round 66 to put him 10 under through 36 holes at TPC Boston in Norton on Tuesday. Xaverian graduates **Joseph Lenane** and **Jack Boulger**, who led the way early Monday, shot 1 over and even par, respectively. Amateur **John Broderick** stayed consistent, carding a second straight 68 to trail Pastore by two strokes. **Kyle Gallo**, **Brad Adamonis**, **Nicholas Pandelena**, and **Mike Van Sickle** are each another stroke back, tied for third at 7 under.

AMIN TOURI

Smith sisters remain 1-2

Decorated sisters **Molly** and **Morgan Smith** of Westford remained the only two players under par after the second day at the New England Women's Amateur Championship at Manchester (Conn.) Country Club. The sisters each shot 2-under-par 70 Tuesday, Molly now at 5 under with a two-shot lead over Morgan. **Lillian Guleserian** of Blue Hill CC is in third, five back after a second-round 71. **Shannon Johnson** of Thorny Lea is fourth at 2 over total, seven off the lead. The third and final round is Wednesday.

Monahan: medical situation

PGA Tour commissioner **Jay Monahan** is recovering from a medical situation that led him to turn over control to two of his top executives, the tour announced. The tour did not disclose the nature of the medical situation or how serious it was, only that its board "fully supports Jay and appreciates everyone respecting his privacy." The PGA Tour is in the midst of the most intense time in its 54-year history, fending off a rival league funded by Saudi Arabia's national wealth fund that led to defections of marquee players and an antitrust lawsuit. His medical situation comes a week after Monahan, 53, stunned the golf world by announcing the PGA Tour had ended its battle with the Public Investment Fund and LIV Golf by agreeing to a commercial business partnership.

NHL

Laviolette is Rangers coach

The Rangers hired **Peter Laviolette** as their coach, bringing in a seasoned veteran with Stanley Cup-winning experience to replace **Gerard Gallant**. The team put the US-born leader in NHL coaching victories in charge at a time of great expectations, with the Original Six franchise firmly in win-now mode. Laviolette, 58, has presided over 752 regular-season victories.

NFL

Diggs skips minicamp opener

Bills star receiver **Stefon Diggs** was not present for the start of the team's mandatory minicamp, coach **Sean McDermott** said before practice opened. "I'm very concerned," is all McDermott would say. Diggs had previously skipped the team's voluntary spring sessions and workouts. In clarifying McDermott's comments, the Bills released a statement saying Diggs was at their facility Monday and Tuesday morning, and left before practice opened. The development comes as a surprise after general manager **Brandon Beane** said last week he expected all 90 players — including Diggs — to be in attendance this week. Bills quarterback **Josh Allen** declined to push the panic button while explaining how unresolved issues stemming from last season led to Diggs's absence. Allen listed getting the team's top receiving threat more involved in the offense and having more game-planning input as among the player's concerns.

SOCCER

Can Madrid sign Mbappé?

The door is open for Real Madrid to try signing **Kylian Mbappé** because the France superstar decided not to extend his Paris Saint-Germain contract into 2025. **Karim Benzema's** sudden departure from Madrid leaves the Spanish giant short of a star striker, and Mbappé perfectly fits the bill. It could be third time lucky for Madrid, after Paris Saint-Germain rejected an offer of $190 million for Mbappé in 2021. Madrid missed out again last year when Mbappé — amid frenzied speculation that Madrid would get him to join — signed a new deal with PSG.

MISCELLANY

Kenya rewards Kipyegon

Distance runner **Faith Kipyegon** was given $35,000 and a house by Kenyan president **William Ruto** as a reward for breaking two world records in the space of a week. The 29-year-old Kipyegon, a two-time Olympic champion in the 1,500 meters, set a 1,500 world record in Florence, Italy, June 2 and broke the 5,000 meters record last Friday at the Paris Diamond League meet by clocking 14:05.20 . . . US Olympic champion sprinter **Tori Bowie** died from complications of childbirth, according to an autopsy report. Bowie, who won three medals at the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Games, was found dead last month. She was 32 . . . **Doug Christiansen** has been named the commissioner for ECAC Hockey, the league announced.

Scoreboard

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MIAA tourney

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Taunton 10.....St. John's (S) 5
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Taunton at Franklin, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
King Philip 6.....St. Mary's 4
Milton 4.....Whit.-Hanson 0
TBA — Final
King Philip at Milton, TBA.
DIVISION 3
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Medfield 8.....Bp. Stang 4
Oakmont 2.....Taconic 0
TBA — Final
Oakmont at Medfield, TBA.
DIVISION 4
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
English High .....Seekonk
Abington 5.....Northbridge 1
TBA — Final
Abington at TBA, TBA.
DIVISION 5
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Bourne 7.....Ayer Shirley 5
Hopkins 9.....Pioneer Valley Regional 4
TBA — Final
Hopkins at Bourne, TBA.

LACROSSE

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
BC High 13.....Acton-Boxboro 9
St. John's Prep 14.....Hingham 3
TBA — Final
BC High vs. St. John's Prep at Burlington High School, Burlington, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Longmeadow vs. Reading at Lincoln-Sudbury High School, Sudbury, 6; Marblehead vs. Duxbury at Weymouth High, Weymouth, 6:30.
DIVISION 3
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Falmouth vs. Newburyport at Walpole High, Walpole, 3:45; Norwell vs. Medfield at Veterans Stadium, Quincy, 6:30.
TBA — Final
DIVISION 4
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Dover-Sherborn vs. Sandwich at Scituate High School, Scituate, 4:30; Weston vs. Cohasset at Scituate High School, Scituate, 7.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Lincoln-Sudbury 7.....Reading 3
Westwood 10.....Franklin 9
TBA — Final
Westwood at Lincoln-Sudbury, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Notre Dame (H) 22...E. Longmeadow 6
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Duxbury vs. Wayland at Weymouth High, Weymouth, 4:30.
TBA — Final
TBA at Notre Dame (Hingham), TBA.
DIVISION 3
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Foxborough vs. Newburyport at Woburn High School, Woburn, 4; Norwell vs. Medfield at Veterans Stadium, Quincy, 4:30.
DIVISION 4
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Dover-Sherborn 20.....Weston 12
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Manchester Essex vs. Ipswich at Whittier, Haverhill, 6.
TBA — Final
Dover-Sherborn at TBA, TBA.

RUGBY

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Sat., June 17 — Final
St. John's Prep vs. Belmont at Curry College, Milton, 12.
DIVISION 2
Sat., June 17 — Final
Weymouth vs. Algonquin at Curry College, Milton, 4.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Sat., June 17 — Final
Brookline vs. Belmont at Curry College, Milton, 2.

SOFTBALL

MIAA tourney

DIVISION 1
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Central Cath. 4.....Peabody 2
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
King Philip vs. Taunton at UMass Dartmouth, Dartmouth, 5.
TBA — Final
TBA at Central Catholic, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Burlington vs. Westfield at Worcester State University, Worcester, 5; Somerset Berkley vs. Tewksbury at Worcester State University, Worcester, 7.
TBA — Final
DIVISION 3
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Middleboro 3.....Triton 0
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Bishop Fenwick vs. Norton at UMass Dartmouth, Dartmouth, 3.
TBA — Final
Middleborough at TBA, TBA.
DIVISION 4
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Hampshire 3.....Clinton 1
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Joseph Case vs. Archbishop Williams at Worcester State University, Worcester, 3.
TBA — Final
Hampshire vs. TBA at UMass - Sortino Field, Amherst, TBA.
DIVISION 5
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Greenfield 8.....Tahanto 2
Turners Falls 9.....Hopkins 7
TBA — Final
Turners Falls vs. Greenfield at UMass-Amherst, Amherst, TBA.

TENNIS

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Sat., June 17 — Final
Lexington vs. Brookline at MIT, Cambridge, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Hopkinton vs. Duxbury at Lexington High School, Lexington, 5.
Sat., June 17 — Final
Westborough vs. TBA at MIT, Cambridge, TBA.
DIVISION 3
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Bedford vs. Wayland at Lexington High School, Lexington, 5.
Sat., June 17 — Final
Dover-Sherborn vs. TBA at MIT, Cambridge, TBA.
DIVISION 4
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Lynnfield 3.....Cohasset 2
Weston 5.....Ham.-Wenham 0
Sat., June 17 — Final
Lynnfield vs. Weston at MIT, Cambridge, TBA.
GIRLS
DIVISION 1
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Lexington 3.....Boston Latin 2
Lincoln-Sudbury 3.....Acton-Boxboro 2
Sat., June 17 — Final
Lexington vs. Lincoln-Sudbury at MIT, Cambridge, TBA.
DIVISION 2
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Masconomet vs. Bishop Stang at Newton South High School, Newton, 4:30; Westborough at Notre Dame (Hingham), 4:30.
DIVISION 3
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Newburyport 5.....Dover-Sherborn 0
Sat., June 17 — Final
Newburyport vs. Weston at MIT, Cambridge, TBA.
DIVISION 4
Wed., June 14 — Semifinals
Lenox vs. Hamilton-Wenham at St. John's, Shrewsbury, 4:30; Lynnfield vs. Manchester Essex at St. John's Prep, Danvers, 4:30.

VOLLEYBALL

MIAA tourney

BOYS
DIVISION 1
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Needham 3.....St. John's (S) 0
Newton North 3.....Brookline 2
Thu., June 15 — Final
Newton North vs. Needham at Worcester State University, Worcester, 7:15.
DIVISION 2
Tue., June 13 — Semifinals
Agawam 3.....O'Bryant 0
Westfield 3.....Milford 1
Thu., June 15 — Final
Agawam vs. Westfield at Worcester State University, Worcester, 5.

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ON THE AIR

BASEBALL		
1 p.m.	San Francisco at St. Louis	MLB
7:10 p.m.	Colorado at Boston	NESN
7:10 p.m.	NY Yankees at NY Mets	ESPN
10:10 p.m.	Chicago White Sox at LA Dodgers	ESPN
PRO BASKETBALL		
1 p.m.	WNBA: Los Angeles at Dallas	NBA
HORSE RACING		
12:30 p.m.	America's Day at the Races	FS2
MEN'S SOCCER		
2:30 p.m.	Nations: Netherlands vs. Croatia	FS1

(Schedule subject to change)

College Baseball

At Charles Schwab Field
Omaha, Neb.
All Times EDT
(Double Elimination; x-if necessary)
Bracket 1
Friday, June 16
Game 1 - TCU (42-22) vs. Oral Roberts (51-12), 2 p.m.
Game 2 - Florida (50-15) vs. Virginia (50-13, 7 p.m.
Sunday, June 18
Game 3 - Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 2 p.m.
Game 4 - Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 20
Game 5 - Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser, TBD (loser eliminated)
Wednesday, June 21
Game 6 - Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, TBD (winner advances unless Game 7 needed)
Thursday, June 22
x-Game 7 - Game 3 vs. Game 4 winner, TBD (winner advances)
Bracket 2
Saturday, June 17
Game 1 - Wake Forest (52-10) vs. Stanford (42-18), 2 p.m.
Game 2 - LSU (48-15) vs. Tennessee (42-20), 7 p.m.
Monday, June 19
Game 3 - Game 1 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 2 p.m.
Game 4 - Game 1 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, June 20
Game 5 - Game 3 winner vs. Game 4 loser, TBD (loser eliminated)
Wednesday, June 21
Game 6 - Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner, TBD (winner advances unless Game 7 needed)
Thursday, June 22
x-Game 7 - Game 3 vs. Game 4 winner, TBD (winner advances)
Championship Series
(Best-of-3)
Sunday, June 24: Bracket 1 winner vs. Bracket 2 winner, 7 p.m.
Saturday, June 25: Bracket 1 winner vs. Bracket 2 winner, 3 p.m.
x-Monday, June 26: Bracket 1 winner vs. Bracket 2 winner, 7 p.m.

Baseball

TRIPLE-A INTERNATIONAL

EAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Norfolk	43	19	.694	—
Durham	36	27	.571	7½
Lehigh Valley	32	29	.525	10½
Worcester	31	32	.492	12½
Scranton/W.-Barre	29	33	.468	14
Buffalo	29	34	.460	14½
Charlotte	29	34	.460	14½
Rochester	28	33	.459	14½
Jacksonville	27	35	.435	16
Syracuse	24	38	.387	19

WEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Paul	36	26	.581	—
Iowa	35	26	.574	½
Louisville	35	26	.574	½
Memphis	34	29	.540	2½
Nashville	31	31	.500	5
Columbus	29	32	.475	6½
Omaha	28	32	.467	7
Gwinnett	29	34	.460	7½
Indianapolis	28	33	.459	7½
Toledo	26	36	.419	10

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
At Norfolk 3.....Worcester 0
St. Paul 18.....at Louisville 7
Charlotte 10.....at Durham 7
At Rochester 18.Scranton/W.-Barre 10
Syracuse 6.....at Buffalo 0
Memphis (ppd.).....at Jacksonville
Toledo 8.....at Lehigh Valley 7
At Nashville 11.....Gwinnett 3
Indianapolis 7.....at Iowa 4
At Omaha 6.....Columbus 5
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Worcester at Norfolk.....6:35
Memphis at Jacksonville.....12:05
St. Paul at Louisville.....12:05
Columbus at Omaha.....1:05
Indianapolis at Iowa.....1:08
Charlotte at Durham.....6:35
Scranton/W.-Barre at Rochester....6:45
Toledo at Lehigh Valley.....7:05

DOUBLE-A EASTERN

NORTHEAST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Portland	35	22	.614	—
Somerset	34	22	.607	½
New Hampshire	30	26	.536	4½
Binghamton	28	28	.500	6½
Hartford	24	32	.429	10½
Reading	21	35	.375	13½

SOUTHWEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Altoona	30	25	.545	—
Erie	30	27	.526	1
Akron	28	28	.500	2½
Harrisburg	28	28	.500	2½
Richmond	25	31	.446	5½
Bowie	23	32	.418	7

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Portland 9.....at Binghamton 1
Erie 7.....at Harrisburg 3
At Bowie 7.....Richmond 5
At Somerset 8.....Altoona 4
Akron 9.....at New Hampshire 1
At Reading 14.....Hartford 2
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Portland at Binghamton.....6:35
Richmond at Bowie.....5:35
Erie at Harrisburg.....6:30
Altoona at Somerset.....6:35
Akron at New Hampshire.....6:35
Hartford at Reading.....7
Richmond at Bowie.....8

SOUTH ATLANTIC LEAGUE

NORTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Hudson Valley	33	24	.579	—
Greensboro	31	24	.564	1
Jersey Shore	29	27	.518	3½
Aberdeen	28	28	.500	4½
Wilmington	26	30	.464	6½
Brooklyn	24	32	.429	8½

SOUTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Greenville	32	25	.561	—
Winston-Salem	30	24	.556	½
Bowling Green	26	26	.500	3½
Rome	27	30	.474	5
Asheville	24	29	.453	6
Hickory	21	32	.396	9

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Greensboro 12.....at Greenville 2
At Wilmington 7.....Jersey Shore 0
At Winston-Salem 9.....Asheville 2
At Hickory 2.....Bowling Green 1
At Aberdeen 8.....Brooklyn 7
Rome 3.....at Hudson Valley 1
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Greensboro at Greenville.....7:05
Jersey Shore at Wilmington.....6:35
Bowling Green at Hickory.....7
Asheville at Winston-Salem.....7
Rome at Hudson Valley.....7:05
Brooklyn at Aberdeen.....7:05

CAPE COD LEAGUE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Hyannis.....at Brewster
Cotuit.....at Bourne
Harwich.....at Wareham
Cotuit.....at Bourne
Yarmouth-Dennis.....at Falmouth
Orleans.....at Chatham
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Chatham at Yarmouth-Dennis.....7
Brewster at Cotuit.....7
Falmouth at Hyannis.....7
Orleans at Wareham.....7
Bourne at Harwich.....7

Baseball

CAROLINA LEAGUE

NORTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Down East	33	20	.623	—
Carolina	30	25	.545	4
Fredericksburg	27	28	.491	7
Salem	25	30	.455	9
Delmarva	25	31	.446	9½
Lynchburg	25	32	.439	10

SOUTH

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Myrtle Beach	34	23	.596	—
Columbia	32	25	.561	2
Kannapolis	30	26	.536	3½
Augusta	27	30	.474	7
Fayetteville	25	32	.439	9
Charleston	23	34	.404	11

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Delmarva 10.....at Salem 2
At Lynchburg 7.....Charleston 5
At Down East 4.....Kannapolis 2
At Augusta 4.....Carolina 3
Fredericksburg 6.....at Myrtle Beach 4
Columbia.....at Fayetteville
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Delmarva at Salem.....7:05
Kannapolis at Down East.....12
Carolina at Augusta.....12:05
Charleston at Lynchburg.....6:30
Fredericksburg at Myrtle Beach.....7:05
Columbia at Fayetteville.....7:05

Delmarva, 10-2

At Salem Memorial Ballpark, Salem, Va.

DELMARVA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Craig rf	4	1	1	0	1	2	.324
Young ss	3	2	2	0	2	0	.243
Basallo c	4	2	1	1	1	1	.287
Higgins lf	3	2	1	3	1	1	.333
Bellony cf	3	0	1	1	1	1	.280
Retzbach dh	2	0	0	1	1	1	.000
Tejada ph-of	2	0	0	0	0	1	.223
De Los Santos 3b	4	1	1	0	1	0	.223
Romero 1b	2	2	2	2	2	0	.227
Crampton 2b	4	0	0	0	0	3	.195
Totals	**31**	**10**	**9**	**8**	**10**	**10**	

SALEM	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Chacon rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.273
Coffey 3b	3	0	1	0	1	0	.204
Castro lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.221
Garcia cf	2	0	0	0	2	1	.200
Ravelo ss	4	0	0	0	0	3	.260
Liendo 2b	3	1	1	0	0	2	.191
Lira c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.258
James 1b	4	1	1	2	0	0	.214
Feliz dh	2	0	0	0	1	1	.188
Totals	**30**	**2**	**3**	**2**	**4**	**8**	

Delmarva	005	050	000	—	**10**	**9**	**1**
Salem	000	000	200	—	**2**	**3**	**0**

LOB—Delmarva 6, Salem 6. **2B**—Higgins, Bellony, Liendo. **HR**—Romero, James. **SB**—Romero. **CS**—Bellony. **S**—Bellony. **DP**—Salem 2.

Delmarva	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Vega	4	2	0	0	2	3	4.94
Mendez	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.45
Chace	4	1	2	2	2	5	6.05

Salem	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Dean	2⅓	3	5	5	4	2	7.90
Talavera	2⅓	2	3	3	3	3	5.75
Felix	2⅓	3	2	2	2	2	7.85
Perez	2	1	0	0	1	3	5.81

HBP—by Chace, by Felix. **WP**—Talavera 2, Felix. **T**—2:36. **A**—2,014.

Hockey

AHL CALDER CUP

FINALS (Best-of-7)
x-if necessary
Coachella Valley 2, Hershey 0
June 8: Coachella 5.....Hershey 0
June 10: Coachella 4.....Hershey 0
June 13: Coachella at Hershey.....7
June 15: Coachella at Hershey.....7
x-June 17: Coachella at Hershey.....7
x-June 19: Hershey at Coachella.....10
x-June 21: Hershey at Coachella.....10

Auto Racing

NASCAR CUP STANDINGS

Standings are for 16 races through Toyota/Save Mart 350, with points, wins, and top 10 finishes.

	Pts.	W	T10
Martin Truex Jr.	525	2	8
William Byron	512	3	9
Ryan Blaney	501	1	9
Ross Chastain	501	0	7
Kevin Harvick	500	0	7
Kyle Busch	496	3	9
Christopher Bell	493	1	9
Denny Hamlin	462	1	6
Joey Logano	444	1	8
Kyle Larson	440	2	7
Chris Buescher	430	0	7
Brad Keselowski	424	0	6
Tyler Reddick	420	1	7
Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	400	1	5
Bubba Wallace	354	0	5
Alex Bowman	331	0	6
Daniel Suarez	328	0	5
Ty Gibbs	320	0	4
Michael McDowell	317	0	3
AJ Allmendinger	298	0	2

F1 STANDINGS

Through June 11
1. Max Verstappen, 170.
2. Sergio Perez, 117.
3. Fernando Alonso, 99.
4. Lewis Hamilton, 87.
5. George Russell, 65.
6. Carlos Sainz Jr, 58.
7. Charles Leclerc, 42.
8. Lance Stroll, 35.
9. Esteban Ocon, 25.
10. Pierre Gasly, 15.
11. Lando Norris, 12.
12. Nico Hulkenberg, 6.
13. Oscar Piastri, 5.
14. Valtteri Bottas, 4.
15. Guanyu Zhou, 4.
16. Yuki Tsunoda, 2.
17. Kevin Magnussen, 2.
18. Alexander Albon, 1.
19. Nyck De Vries, 0.
20. Logan Sargeant, 0.

INDAY CAR STANDINGS

Through June 11
1. Alex Palou, 273.
2. Marcus Ericsson, 222.
3. Josef Newgarden, 203.
4. Scott Dixon, 194.
5. Pato O'Ward, 191.
6. Alexander Rossi, 176.
7. Scott McLaughlin, 175.
8. Will Power, 172.
9. Colton Herta, 149.
10. Felix Rosenqvist, 148.
11. Romain Grosjean, 145.
12. Kyle Kirkwood, 142.
13. Christian Lundgaard, 136.
14. Callum Ilott, 116.
15. Rinus VeeKay, 108.
16. Santino Ferrucci, 105.
17. Marcus Armstrong, 101.
18. Graham Rahal, 99.
19. David Malukas, 91.
20. Conor Daly, 88.
21. Devlin DeFrancesco, 81.
22. Helio Castroneves, 80.
23. Jack Harvey, 78.
24. Agustin Canapino, 77.
25. Simon Pagenaud, 72.
26. Benjamin Pedersen, 61.
27. Sting Ray Robb, 55.
28. Takuma Sato, 37.
29. Ed Carpenter, 27.
30. Ryan Hunter-Reay, 20.

Transactions

BASEBALL

Chi. Cubs: P Jeremiah Estrada sent to minors. 2B Miles Mastrobuoni called up from minors. P Brandon Hughes placed on 15-day IL. P Nick Burdi transferred to 60-day IL. P Anthony Kay purchased from minors.
Cincinnati: P Ricky Karcher, RF Henry Ramos sent to minors. P Joel Kuhnel designated for assignment. P Tony Santillan, CF Nick Senzel sent to minors for rehabilitation. P Daniel Duarte purchased from minors. RF Henry Ramos recalled from minors rehab. RF Henry Ramos removed from 10-day IL.
Detroit: P Garrett Hill sent to minors. P Brendan White called up from minors.
Kansas City: RF Kyle Isbel sent to minors for rehabilitation.
Minnesota: LF Joey Gallo recalled from minors rehab. LF Joey Gallo removed from 10-day IL.
NY Mets: P José Quintana sent to minors for rehabilitation.
Toronto: C Tyler Heineman sent to minors. SS Ernie Clement, P Bowden Francis called up from minors. C Danny Jansen recalled from minors rehab. P Adam Cimber placed on paternity leave list. 1B Brandon Belt placed on 10-day IL. C Danny Jansen removed from 10-day IL.

NFL

Baltimore: TE Brian Walker cut.
Carolina: DT Jalen Dalton cut.
Denver: WR Nick Williams cut. DE Frank Clark signed.
LA Rams: G Steve Avila, P Ethan Evans, DE Desjuan Johnson, S Jason Taylor II signed/draft choice.
NY Jets: S Adrian Amos signed.

NHL

Detroit: G Victor Brattstrom signed with european team.

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Cincinnati	17	12	4	1	40
Nashville	17	9	5	3	32
Philadelphia	17	9	3	5	30
New England	17	8	6	3	30
Atlanta	18	7	7	4	28
Columbus	17	8	3	6	27
Orlando	16	7	5	4	26
D.C. United	18	6	5	7	23
Montreal	17	7	1	9	22
Charlotte	18	6	4	8	22
NY Red Bulls	17	4	7	6	19
Toronto	18	3	10	5	19
NYCFC	17	4	6	7	18
Chicago	17	3	8	6	17
Miami	17	5	0	12	15

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
St. Louis	16	9	2	5	29
Seattle	18	8	4	6	28
LAFC	14	7	5	2	26
Dallas	18	7	5	6	26
San Jose	17	7	5	5	26
Vancouver	17	5	7	5	22
Houston	16	6	3	7	21
Portland	17	5	5	7	20
Sporting KC	18	5	5	8	20
Minnesota	17	5	5	7	20
Real Salt Lake	17	5	5	7	20
Austin	17	5	4	8	19
LA Galaxy	16	3	4	9	13
Colorado	18	2	7	9	13

WEDNESDAY'S GAME
Houston at LAFC.....10:30

Premier League

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
Manchester City	38	28	5	5	89
Arsenal	38	26	6	6	84
Man. United	38	23	6	9	75
Newcastle	38	19	14	5	71
Liverpool	38	19	10	9	67
Brighton	38	18	8	12	62
Aston Villa	38	18	7	13	61
Tottenham	38	18	6	14	60
Brentford	38	15	14	9	59
Fulham	38	15	7	16	52
Crystal Palace	38	11	12	15	45
Chelsea	38	11	11	16	44
Wolverhampton	38	11	8	19	41
West Ham	38	11	7	20	40
AFC Bournmouth	38	11	6	21	39
Nottingham Frest	38	9	11	18	38
Everton	38	8	12	18	36
Leicester City	38	9	7	22	34
Leeds United	38	7	10	21	31
Southampton	38	6	7	25	25

Tennis

BOSS OPEN

At TC Weissenhof, Stuttgart, Germany
Men's singles
First Round
Gregoire Barrere, def. Oscar Otte, 6-4, 6-3; Aslan Karatsev, def. Corentin Moutet, 7-6 (0), 6-7 (8), 7-5; Christopher O'Connell, def. Daniel Altmaier, 6-3, 6-1; Jan-Lennard Struff, def. Zhizhen Zhang, 6-1, 6-4; Marton Fucsovics, def. Denis Shapovalov, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4; Yibing Wu, def.

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RIORDAN, Anne T. (Langill)
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OLESON, Judith

AMATO, Vincenza (Mercurio)

Of Revere, on June 10th at 96 years. Beloved wife of the late Carmelo "Melo" Amato. Loving mother of the late Maria K. Lavalle and her husband, Joseph LaValle of Point of Pines, Revere, and Vincent P. Amato of Revere. Cherished grandmother of Joseph M. LaValle and wife, Kelly of Plainville, Michael V. Amato and wife, Sarah of Georgetown, Matthew P. Amato and wife, Laura of New Jersey, and Seth Tata Amato. Treasured sister of Marie G. Tully and her late husband, Robert E. Tully of Winthrop. Great-grandmother of Samuel LaValle, Vincenzo, Fiametta, Giannina, and Carmelo Amato. Former mother-in-law of Lisa M. Tata – Amato of Revere. Also lovingly survived by several nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and grandnephews. Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Visiting Hours on Friday, June 16th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in the Vertuccio Smith & Vazza, Beechwood Home for Funerals, 262 Beach St., REVERE, followed by a Funeral Service in the funeral home at 1:15 p.m. Interment will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, TN 38105. To send online condolences, please visit www.vertucciosmithvazza.com

CASON, Mildred L.

Mildred (aka Mila) Cason of Wayland, MA, formerly of the surrounding Boston area, June 11th 2023. Age 96. Beloved daughter of the late Bonifacio and Domenica (Mareschi) Lattanzio. Devoted mother of Brian Cason and grandmother of Julia Cason. In addition she is survived by numerous nieces and nephews; and many dear friends. Funeral from the Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, June 16, at 10:30 am. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated in St. John Chrysostom Church, 4750 Washington St. West Roxbury, at 11:00 am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hours in the funeral home on Friday morning from 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

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COHEN, Bret Allen

Age 56, of Wellesley, MA, passed away peacefully at home at on June 12, 2023, after a valiant 14-month battle with glioblastoma, an aggressive form of brain cancer.

Bret was born in St. Louis, Missouri and raised in Peoria, Illinois. He was a proud alumnus of the University of Illinois (where he was an enthusiastic member of the cheerleading squad) and the Saint Louis University School of Law. Bret eventually settled in the Boston area, where he built his legal career and reputation as a talented and tenacious litigator focused on trade secrets and other employment disputes. Bret was one of the lucky few who was so passionate about and excited by his career that it truly never felt like a job to him. He was a partner at the law firm of Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough where he was universally beloved by colleagues and clients alike.

As any number of airplane seatmates, elevator riders, next-table-over restaurant patrons, and even courtroom adversaries would attest, Bret genuinely loved people and made new friends everywhere he went. A meal, drink, concert, or ballgame shared with Bret was guaranteed to include infectious joy and unending laughter. Bret was ferociously devoted to his friends and was widely known as the person who would answer the call for help, advice or even just a hug in the middle of the night.

Bret's greatest joy and passion, however, was his family. He was a devoted husband to his wife, Adrienne (Reynolds) Cohen, and a proud and loving father to his four children, Mackenzie Cohen, Clayton Cohen, and twin daughters Blake and Forde Cohen. Bret considered his children to be the greatest of all of his many achievements in life. He is also survived by his cherished parents, Stuart Irwin Cohen and his wife Judy, and Sharyn (Helstein) Hamilton; his brothers Boyd Cohen and Blair Cohen; numerous aunts; uncles; and cousins whom he loved deeply, and his beloved rescue dogs Aspen, Nashville, and Tusk.

Bret's battle with brain cancer was a difficult one, but he faced it with the utmost optimism, grace and courage. Unsurprisingly and true to his character Bret made many new friends throughout his treatment at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute including the valet parking attendants and two fellow glioblastoma patients whom he became close with (and lovingly referred to as his "glio buddies"), Heather Walker and Cindy Fitzpatrick. Known to do pushups at each hospital visit to show how well he was doing and feeling, Bret inspired fellow patients and medical professionals alike with his infectious positive attitude and unyielding determination.

While he left us too soon, Bret's memory will live on through the countless lives he touched and the legacy of courage, optimism, love and generosity that he leaves behind.

Services will be held at Temple Beth Elohim, 10 Bethel Road, Wellesley, on Friday, June 16, at 10 a.m. Interment at Beit Olam East Cemetery, 42 Concord Rd., Wayland.

Shiva to follow at the family home, from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family request that donations in his memory may be made to the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, http://danafarber.jimmyfund.org/goto/BretCohen or the National Brain Tumor Society, www.braintumor.org

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DeSTEFANO, Ruth E. (Horgan)

Of Rockland, passed away June 9, 2023. Ruth was born in Quincy to the late Beatrice and Henry Horgan. She attended Dorchester High for Girls and earned her Bachelors degree from Boston State Teachers College. Ruth was a teacher at the William Bradford School before leaving to raise her family. Originally from Dorchester, lived in Hingham for over 30 years raising her family and later retired to Palm Harbor Florida. Ruth was an avid reader, had a passion for rescuing dogs and enjoyed music and art. Her biggest thrill was spending time with the young children in the family. Beloved wife of the late Peter DeStefano. Loving mother of Lynn Carmody and her husband, Richard of Norwell and Amy Pinto and her husband, Leonard of South Carolina. Dear sister of Lyn Kauffunger and the late Janet Stanton. Cherished grandmother of Erica, Joe, and Megan; and two great-grandsons, Lukas and Logan. Also survived by many friends, nieces and nephews. All Services shall be private. In loving memory of Ruth, please consider a donation to the MSPCA or St. Jude. See www.Keohane.com for directions and online condolences.

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DOW, David P.

Of Marshfield, passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his loving family on June 11, 2023, after a battle with cancer.

David was the beloved husband of Doris E. Hardy-Dow of Marshfield. He is survived by his devoted children, David P. Dow Jr. and his partner, Angie Shaw of Marblehead, Sharon M. Dow and her fiancé, Scott Lemonde of Danvers, and Thomas P. Dow of Charlestown. He was the proud grandfather of Connor J. Dow (U.S. Air Force) stationed in the UK, Cameron D. Dow and his partner, Macayla Brock of Lynn, and Colin E. Dow (U.S. Army) stationed in Germany. He was the brother of Joseph Dow and his wife, Margaret of Winthrop. David will be missed by his beloved pal, Max, his Boston Terrier. He was the beloved son of the late Joe and Ruth Dow.

David started his career with the Carpenters Union in 1978 as a journeyperson carpenter with Carpenters Local Union #328 (formerly Local Union #218) in Boston, MA. In later years he became an Organizer and then Business Manager for the local. David was the first Executive-Secretary Treasurer of the New England Regional Council of Carpenters in Boston and worked as a Special Assistant to the General President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters. After working as the Commissioner of Public Works for the City of Somerville under the direction of Mayor Dorothy Kelly-Gay, David returned to the New England Regional Council of Carpenters working on Special Projects and was instrumental in the development of the Carpenter's Center. David spent the final five years of his career as the Regional Manager for the Northeast MA Carpenters, and retired in 2016. David also played a pivotal role in various political campaigns in MA and around the country.

David enjoyed family gatherings, watching Boston sports teams, and various auto shows. He was an avid reader and enjoyed golfing, skeet shooting, walking his pal, Max, and fast cars.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a period of Visitation on June 19, 2023, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm, at the Cartmell-Davis Life Celebration Funeral Home, 373 Court Street, PLYMOUTH. A Memorial Service will begin at 12:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Cranberry Hospice, 36 Cordage Park Circle, Suite 326, Plymouth, MA 02360. For more information or to sign the online guestbook, please visit www.cartmelldavis.com

KHEDERIAN, John

Of Waltham, passed away peacefully on June 10, 2023. Beloved husband of 50 years to Brenda (Toromanian) Khederian. Devoted father to Marc Khederian of Watertown, and Melanie Khederian and her partner Larry Thuot of South Yarmouth. He was the dear brother to Gary Khederian and partner Mike Merriman of Oakland, California. Additionally, he leaves behind many loving extended family members and friends. John worked at Stone & Webster in Boston, as a professional engineer for over 40 years. Funeral Services at St. James Armenian Church, 465 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown, on Saturday, June 17th, at 12 Noon. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend. A visitation period will be held in the sanctuary of St. James from 11 a.m. -12 noon immediately prior to the funeral service. Interment, Newton Cemetery, Newton. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to St. James Armenian Church, for the purpose of establishing a scholarship fund in John's memory. For directions, complete obituary and on-line guestbook please visit www.giragosianfuneralhome.com.

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LIBBY, David L.

Lifelong resident of Everett, passed away at home, June 10, 2023, 77 years of age. Beloved husband of Carol A. (Burke) Libby of Everett, with whom he shared 52 years of marriage. Dear brother of Joseph P. LoRusso of CO, Michael LoRusso and his wife, Toni of Malden and the late Edward W. Libby. Also lovingly survived by many nieces, nephews and his beloved Golden Retriever, Brandy. Late U.S. Marine Corps Veteran during the Vietnam War era. Retired real estate broker. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend David's hour of Visitation in the Carafa Family Funeral Home, 389 Washington Ave., CHELSEA, on Friday, June 16, 2023, from 10:00 to 11:00 A.M. A Service of Reflection and Remembrance will follow the Visitation at 11:00 A.M. Services will conclude with Interment at Puritan Lawn Memorial Park in Peabody.

McGAFFIGAN, Ellen Marie (Reardon)

Of Waltham, formerly of Watertown, Marlborough, Wayland, & Olympia Fields, IL, June 11, 2023. Age 86. Beloved wife of the late James H. McGaffigan, Jr. Loving mother of Marianne McGaffigan of Waltham and Jill M. McGaffigan-Votruba and her husband Steven of Winchester. Dear sister of Mary McFarlin of Watertown and the late Edward P. Reardon, John J. Reardon, Theresa A. Crouse, and James M. Reardon. Also survived by many nieces, nephews, and grandnieces and nephews. Funeral from the MacDonald Rockwell & MacDonald Funeral Home at 270 Main St. Watertown Saturday June 17, at 9 AM followed by Funeral Mass in the Church of St. Patrick 212 Main St., Watertown at 10 AM. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Visiting hours Friday 5 to 7 PM. Interment Ridgelawn Cemetery. For complete obituary please visit www.macdonaldrockwell.com

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McQUISTON, Gerald

Of Natick, formerly of Waltham, Framingham and Sudbury. June 11, 2023. Son of the late George Joseph and Eileen (Dunn) McQuiston. Brother of Ellen Wallace (Mark), John McQuiston (Rita Loreti), Susan McQuiston, Timothy McQuiston (Marla) and Diane Trant (John); also survived by many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Family and friends will honor and remember Gerry's life by gathering on Thursday, June 15, for Visitation in Saint Martha's Church, 30 Portland Road, Kennebunk, Maine from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m., followed by his Funeral Mass celebrated at 11:30 a.m. Burial will follow in Hope Cemetery, Kennebunk, Maine. Memorials to Special Olympics, 512 Forest Street, Marlborough, MA 01752 www.specialolympicsma.org or and the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, 8403 Colesville Road, Suite 900, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or www.aaidd.org/home Complete obituary, guest register and directions, available at www.joycefuneralhome.com

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OLESON, Judith

Passed away, on June 10, 2023, from leiomyosarcoma, a rare form of cancer. She is preceded in death by her mother, Priscilla W. Oleson and father, A. William Oleson. She leaves behind her husband, Mark Wilczek; daughter, Silvia Cannon; son -in-law, Ethan Cannon; and granddaughter, Luna of Barrington, RI; and daughter, Gabriela Holm of Minneapolis, MN; two siblings and their spouses, Karen and Richard Langlais and Gary and Trish Oleson; several nieces and nephews; as well as five stepchildren; Louis Canale, Aaron Canale, Lisa Canale, Adam Wilczek and Alex Wilczek, their spouses and seven step-grandchildren.

Although family relationships were primary for Judith, she valued community with her church, local organizations and international connections. She served on the board of the Lanesville Community Center, St Paul Lutheran Church Council and co-chaired the Virginia Lee Burton Writing Cottage Program Committee. She was a photography member of the Rockport Art Association and utilized photography as a spiritual, reflective process. She loved to swim in Plum Cove, walk Halibut Point with her dog Lucy and bike the back roads of Cape Ann. She was an active member of Gloucester Gig Rowers for over 10 years.

Judith was an advocate for justice and peace in the organizations she served, as well as the larger community. She was a skilled facilitator in both conflict transformation and social change initiatives. She had a unique ability to "speak the truth without blame or judgement" and was known for her wise, calm and loving presence. She traveled extensively to learn from diverse communities and advocate for those experiencing collective harm.

Judith received a Doctorate in Ministry from Episcopal Divinity School, a Masters in Public Administration from The Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University and an MSW from the University of Minnesota.
In June 2022, Judith retired as the Director of the Tom Porter Program for Religion and Conflict Transformation at Boston University, where she directed the program and taught courses. Previously, Judith co-founded and coordinated an interdisciplinary minor in Peace and Conflict Studies at Gordon College, where she taught in their Sociology/Social Work Department for ten years. Judith also developed a course in post-conflict social reconstruction that she taught often with colleagues at the European Center for the Study of War and Peace in Croatia.

Before coming to academia, Judith served for thirty years as a social worker and program administrator in Minnesota. During her last eight years there she served as the Executive Director of a Family Services Collaborative, where she facilitated a partnership between city, county and tribal systems to decentralize and democratize support services with families.

Judith was born in Rochester, NY, raised in Hamilton, MA, but lived half of her adult life in Duluth, Minnesota, and the other half in Rockport and Gloucester, MA. She loved the north woods and in her early years worked as both a canoe guide and camp leader in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (MN). With others, she organized a women's spirituality group that met for 30 years, to honor relationship to the Earth. In the later part of her life, she returned to Cape Ann, where she gathered other women's circles for political and spiritual support, connected with her ancestral roots and celebrated the beauty of rock and sea.

There are no Visiting hours and her Burial is being held privately. A Celebration of Life and service will be held on Saturday, July 15, 2023, at 11 a.m., in Asbury Grove, 15 Lee Park, South Hamilton, MA 01982. Family and friends are cordially invited. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in Judith's name can be sent to Tom Porter Program on Religion and Conflict Transformation, bu.edu 745 Commonwealth Ave., Rm 111B, Boston, MA. Arrangements are by the Greely Funeral Home, 212 Washington St. GLOUCESTER, MA. Online condolences may be given, at www.greelyfuneralhome.com

PELLEGRINE, Orlo Henry

Of Newton, June 9, 2023. Son of the late Daniel J. Pellegrine and Gertrude (Beal) Pellegrine. Grandson to the Late Luigi and Josephine (Piselli) Pellegrini. Devoted Father of Faith Pellegrine, Robert (Bobby) and his wife Anne Marie (Wilson) Pellegrine and Barbara (Pellegrine) Alvarez. Partner to John Agathos. Grandfather to Miguel Alvarez and Taylor Polk. Brother of Patricia Berniquer, Barbara DeGrandis, Joy Sullivan, Linda Graves, Donna Palimerillo, and Lorraine Maher, and the Late Daniel Pellegrine, Jr., Frances Dangelo, and Diane Troy. He also leaves many nieces, nephews and an abundance of friends. When you met Orlo you had a friend for life, to know Orlo was to Love Orlo. Visiting Hours in the Magni FH, 365 Watertown St., Rte. 16, NEWTON, Monday, June 19, from 3-7 p.m. Funeral Mass in Our Lady's Church, Newton, on Tuesday, June 20, at 12 Noon. Interment Newton Cemetery, 791 Walnut St., Newton. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Orlo's name may be made to Nonantum Children's Christmas Party Assoc., P.O. Box 12, Newton, MA 02495 or Alzheimer's Assocation, PO Box 96011, Washington, DC 20090-6011.

PIZZICANNELLA, Angiolina (LaVita)

Of Winthrop, and formerly of East Boston, passed away, on June 13, 2023, surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Mirabella, Italy and was the wife of the late Remo Pizzicannella. Loving mother of Maria Pizzicannella, Luigi Pizzicannella and his wife, Christine and Valentina "Tina" Pizzicannella, all of Winthrop. Cherished nonni of Kristina Pizzicannella-Murphy and her husband, Daniel of Winthrop; "Old nonna" of Dominic and Giuliana Pizzicannella-Murphy of Winthrop. Dear sister of Josie Cimildoro and her late husband, Frank of Milton, Michael LaVita of NH and his late former wife, Carol, the late Janice Scalcione and her surviving husband, Jack of East Bosto and Luigi LaVita and his surviving wife, Kathy of Peabody. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and cousins. The family will receive visitors on Friday, June 16, 2023, from 4pm to 8pm, in the J.S. Waterman Langone Chapel, 580 Commercial St., BOSTON. Complimentary Valet parking attendants at front door. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Saturday, June 17, 2023, at 10am, in the St. John The Evangelist Church, 320 Winthrop St, Winthrop. Services will conclude with Interment in Holy Cross Cemetery, Malden. Donations in Angiolina's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 313 Washington St., Suite 310, Newton, MA 02458. For online condolences and/or directions, please visit www.watermanboston.com

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RIORDAN, Anne T. (Langill)

Of Canton passed away June 12th. Beloved wife of Timothy J. Riordan. Mother of Deborah A. O'Brien and her husband Robert of Canton, Elizabeth J. Doody and her husband Stephen of Laconia, NH, Carol Vesey and her husband Thomas of Canton, and Timothy H. Riordan and his wife Kathleen of Canton. Sister of Mary Caron of FL, Elizabeth Smith of Webster, Catherine Nichols of FL., and the late Leonard Langill, Eleanor Holland, and Helen Russell. Also survived by seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Visiting Hours at the Dockray & Thomas Funeral Home, 455 Washington St., CANTON, Friday, 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Funeral Mass at St. James Church, Stoughton, Saturday morning, at 10:30. Burial Knollwood Memorial Park, Canton. For complete obituary see www.dockrayandthomasfuneralhome.com

SMITH, Caroline B. (Foster)

Age 96, of Wakefield, and formerly of North Reading, passed away, at her home, on Tuesday, June 6, 2023. She was the beloved wife of the late Carroll O. Smith.

Born in Winchester, MA on September 28, 1926, she was the daughter of the late Harold P. and Frances M. (Merriam) Foster. A former resident of North Reading for over 85 years, she attended North Reading Schools and was a graduate of Reading High School, class of 1943. She later earned a certificate as a Professional Librarian from the Massachusetts Board of Public Library Commissioners in 1966.

She is survived by her son, Alan Smith and his wife, Barbara of Reading and her daughter, Brenda Smith of Belfast, Maine; brothers, Thomas Foster of Littleton, CO and Frank Foster of Dover, DE; two grandchildren, Alyssa Labrecque and Meryl Sullivan and five great-grandchildren.

Her Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday, June 20, at 10:00 AM, at the Union Congregational Church, 148 Haverhill Street, in North Reading. Visitation will be held on Monday, June 19, from 3:00 to 6:00 PM, at the Croswell Funeral Home, 19 Bow Street, in NORTH READING. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to The Friends of North Reading Parks/Ipswich River Park, 235 North St., North Reading, MA 01864 or to the charity of one's choice.

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VALENTE, Maureen Godsey

(née Godsey) Age 69, of Newton, MA, passed away of complications from a sudden illness on June 11, 2023.

She was the wife of Carl Frederick Valente; mother of Katharine Valente Kruger (Matthew) and Laura Valente (Nathan); and grandmother to William and James Kruger. Born in San Antonio, TX, in 1954 to Lillie Wanda Godsey and Col. John (Jack) A. Godsey, USAF (ret.), she was raised in Santa Rosa, CA, and was one of ten siblings: Michael (Elizabeth), John (Patricia), David, Keith (Wanda), Gail (Lynn), Leah (Ted, who predeceased her), Matthew (who predeceased her), Tom (Jill) and Tricia (Eric). She was educated at the University of California, Berkeley and held an MPA from George Washington University.

Maureen was passionately committed to public service, spending much of her life working for state and local government. She met her husband in 1979, while working for the International City/County Management Association in Washington, DC. She would later serve as asst. treasurer for the town of Concord, MA, then treasurer in Lexington, MA, before serving as finance director and eventually town manager in Sudbury, MA, where she was particularly proud of her success in expanding affordable housing in the community. She then served as CEO of the Massachusetts School Building Authority before her semi-retirement to consulting and teaching public administration courses at Suffolk University. She also was a member of the Massachusetts State Retirement Board, appointed by State Treasurer Deborah Goldberg.

Maureen was a loving and devoted wife, mother, and grandmother. After the birth of her first grandchild, Maureen and Carl purchased a home together with her daughter Kate and family in Newton, and they have spent the past 5 years in great happiness. William (6) and James (3) loved their "Gigi," sneaking up to their grandparents' floor when they needed the best hugs or wanted to 'borrow' her painting supplies.

Maureen was talented, intelligent, articulate, and curious, devoting her time in retirement to reading, painting, traveling, and surpassing others in word games and puzzles. Kate and Laura remember their mother for her constant care, guidance, and wit, and for keeping them strong and grounded. Carl still feels lucky that Maureen agreed to date him, and will be forever grateful for their 42 years of marriage. Her six brothers adored her, her three younger sisters idolized her and they all looked to her as a second mother and an inspiration. We are all thankful to have known, loved, and been loved by her.

Funeral will be held on Saturday, June 17, at 11 AM, at Grace Episcopal Church at 76 Eldredge St., Newton, MA, followed by a reception. Family Visiting Hours will be Friday, June 16, from 4-8 PM at Eaton and Mackay Funeral Home, 465 Centre St., NEWTON, MA.

In lieu of flowers, a donation in her name to the Greater Boston Food Bank, ATTN Accounting, 70 South Bay Ave., Boston, MA 02118 www.gbfb.org

To send a note of condolence or to share a memory with Maureen's family, visit www.eatonandmackay.com

WEINERMAN, Phyllis C. (Schuster)

Age 77, of Peabody, Entered Eternal Rest on June 10, 2023 after a seven year fight with pancreatic cancer. Loving partner of Boris Maznek for thirty years. Beloved mother of Jennifer Awrach and Marc and his wife Wendy Weinerman. Adored grandmother of Tyler Awrach, Matthew Awrach, Dane Weinerman, and Jace Weinerman. Dear sister of Robert and the late Judith Schuster. Former wife of Ernest Weinerman. Services at the Lebanon Tiferet Shalom Cemetery Route 128N (between the Route 114 & Endicott St exits), Peabody on Sunday, June 18, at 12:00 PM. Condolence calls may be made at her late residence on Monday, June 19, from 2:00-5:00 & 6:00-8:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to a charity of one's choice. For directions or online condolences go to:

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WOLFE, Sandra (Flowers)

Of Woburn, formerly of Salem and Beverly, June 8, 2023, at age 80. Loving mother of Michael D. Wolfe and his wife Nancy A. Wolfe of North Reading and the late Timothy A. Wolfe; sister of Robert, Paul, Walter and James Flowers and the late Chet Flowers; longtime companion of Thomas Russo.

Visitation will be on Tuesday, June 27, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at the Croswell Funeral Home, 19 Bow St., NORTH READING. Interment will be in Greenlawn Cemetery in Salem. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made in her memory to Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation (http://www.komen.org) She was a retired Office Administrator for BayBank, Bank of America and Tufts Health Care.

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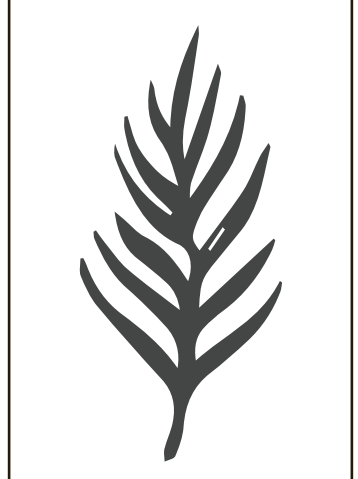

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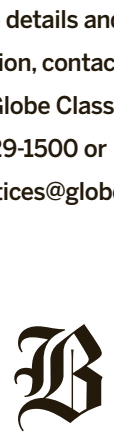

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Cormac McCarthy, 89; celebrated writer explored humanity's darkness

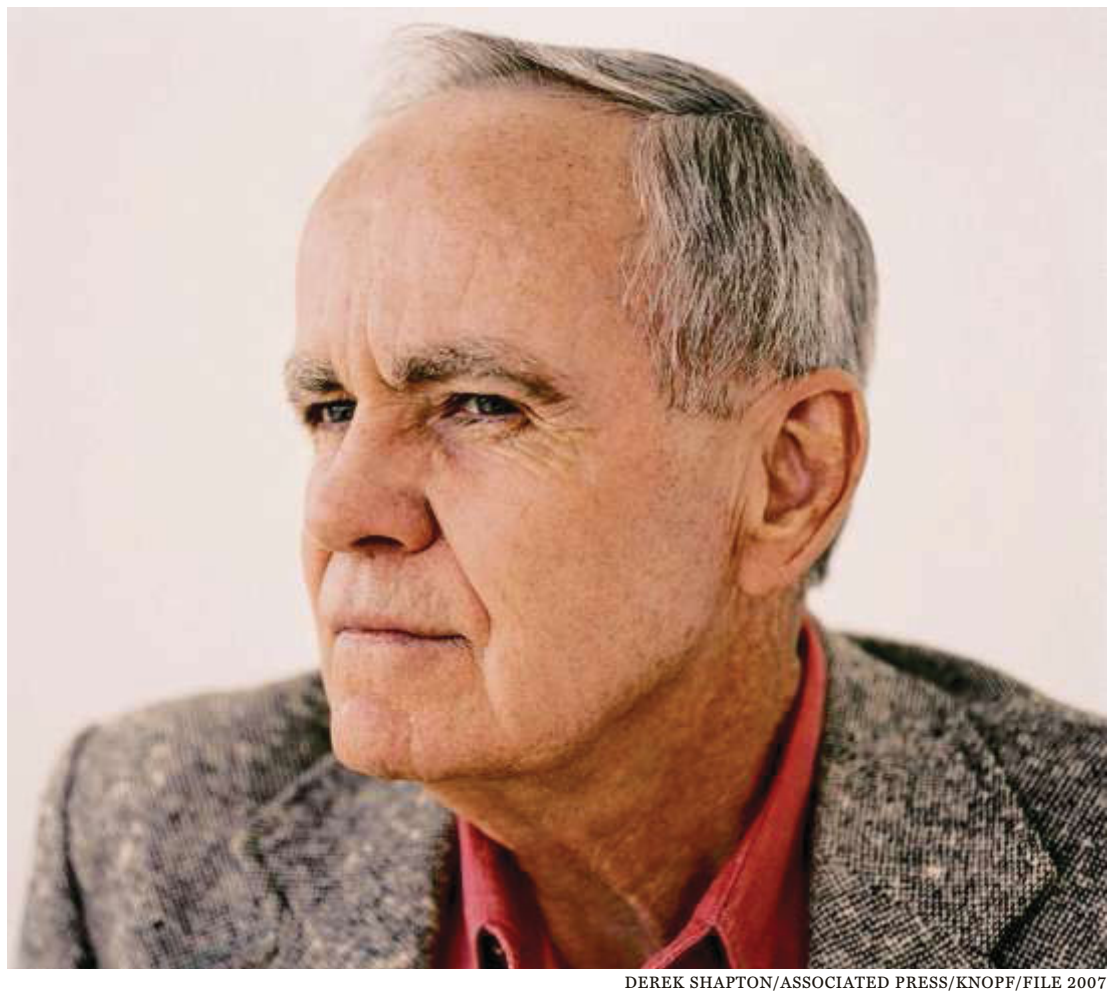
By Harrison Smith
WASHINGTON POST

Cormac McCarthy, a Pulitzer Prize-winning author whose lyrical and often brutally violent novels propelled him to the first ranks of American fiction, immersing readers in scenes of savagery, despair, and occasional tenderness in the backwoods of Tennessee, the deserts of the Southwest, and the ashen desolation of a postapocalyptic world, died June 13 at his home in Santa Fe. He was 89.

His death was announced in a statement by his publisher, Penguin Random House, which did not give a specific cause.

Mr. McCarthy explored the dark side of human nature in a dozen novels that were lean and poetic, poignant yet unsentimental. Author Saul Bellow praised his "absolutely overpowering use of language, his life-giving and death-dealing sentences," and some literary critics called him an heir to William Faulkner and Herman Melville, writers with whom he shared an interest in themes of loss, suffering, bloodshed, and fate.

"If it doesn't concern life and death," Mr. McCarthy once told Rolling Stone, "it's not interesting."



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Mr. McCarthy won the Pulitzer Prize for his 2006 novel "The Road," decades after he began his career as a lesser-heralded writer known for telling grueling, bleak stories.

For the first quarter-century of his career, Mr. McCarthy was little more than a cult figure, a "writer's writer" who declined to talk to most reporters and was rumored to live like a hermit. None of his first five books sold more than 3,000 hardcover copies, and even glowing reviews of his novels emphasized that they were not exactly a pleasure to read. His semi-autobiographical novel "Suttree" (1979) was likened to "a good, long scream in the ear," while his western epic "Blood Meridian" (1985) was said to hit readers "like a slap in a face."

Mr. McCarthy's prose style was strikingly idiosyncratic, earning comparisons to James Joyce, Shakespeare, and the King James Bible. He stripped most of his sentences of punctuation, limiting his use of commas and dispensing with semicolons and quotation marks altogether; played with traditional syntax; and sprinkled his novels with obscure words (vermiculate, gryke, patterans, rachitic) while using naturalistic dialogue to anchor his books in time and place. "This whole thing is just hell in spectacles," says one of his lawman characters.

Reviewers found that his writing became slightly more accessible over the years as Mr. McCarthy played with conventions of the western, crime thriller, and horror genres. He received the National Book Award and National Book Critics Circle Award for "All the Pretty Horses" (1992), one of his most romantic westerns, and the Pulitzer Prize for "The Road" (2006), about a father and son trudging across the United States in the wake of an unspecified disaster. In 2009, he followed Philip Roth in becoming the second author to receive the PEN/Saul Bellow Award for lifetime achievement in American fiction.

"His writing is a hypnosis of detail. He makes you feel that, because this place is palpably real, these events would seem to be true," New York Times book critic Anatole Broyard wrote in a review of "Suttree," about a man who abandons a life of privilege in the 1950s to live on a houseboat in Knoxville, on the Tennessee River.

Mr. McCarthy, who had a relatively luxurious upbringing in the city, described Knoxville in the novel as a city home to "reeking clapboard warrens where children cried and craven half-bald watchdogs yapped and slank," and where "every other face [is] goitered, twisted, tubered with some excrescence."

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> MR. MCCARTHY

While "Suttree" was often darkly funny, with a sprawling cast of characters that included a man who has a sexual obsession with watermelons, many of his books were almost unremittingly bleak.

In "Outer Dark" (1968), a man impregnates his sister and leaves their baby to die in the woods. A necrophiliac serial killer fills a cave with bodies in "Child of God" (1973), and a hit man named Anton Chigurh uses a bolt gun to blow out door locks and execute his victims at close range in "No Country for Old Men" (2005), which the Coen brothers adapted into an Oscar-winning film.

"There's no such thing as life without bloodshed," Mr. McCarthy told the Times in 1992. "I think the notion that the species can be improved in some way, that everyone could live in harmony, is a really dangerous idea. Those who are afflicted with this notion are the first ones to give up their souls, their freedom."

Mr. McCarthy received some of the best reviews of his career for his most violent book, "Blood Meridian," which literary critic Harold Bloom called "the ultimate western, not to be surpassed." Loosely based on historical events, it followed a 14-year-old known simply as "the kid," who joins a group of scalp-hunting bounty hunters after the Mexican-American War.

The gang's members include a hairless, 7-foot-tall giant named Judge Holden, who kills without hesitation, dances and fiddles with seemingly boundless energy, and declares that "war is god," emerging as a monster in the mold of Shakespeare's Iago.

Mr. McCarthy used campfire exchanges between the judge and the kid to examine ideas about war, fate, religion, and the collapse of civilization. He also demonstrated his literary range by mixing short, punchy lines with sentences that sprawled across the page, like a description of charging Comanches that stretched nearly 250 words:

"A legion of horribles, hundreds in number, half naked or clad in costumes attic or biblical or wardrobed out of a fevered dream with the skins of animals and silk finery and pieces of uniform still tracked with the blood of prior owners . . . and all the horsemen's faces gaudy and grotesque with daubings like a company of mounted clowns, death hilarious, all howling in a barbarous tongue and riding down upon them like a horde from a hell more horrible yet than the brimstone land of christian reckoning, screeching and yammering and clothed in smoke like those vaporous beings in regions beyond right knowing where the eye wanders and the lip jerks and drools."

The scene was classic McCarthy: all action and vivid description, but offering no details of his characters' thoughts or feelings.

He took a similar approach to his own life. Mr. McCarthy declined all but a handful of interview requests — even when he appeared on TV, interviewed by Oprah Winfrey after she selected "The Road" for her book club, he was almost inert — and he preferred to steer the conversation away from literature, talking about country music, theoretical physics, or the behavior of rattlesnakes.

Despite the rumors, he was hardly a recluse. He frequented El Paso pool halls, befriended the high-stakes poker player Betty Carey, and was a longtime fixture of the Santa Fe Institute in New Mexico, a scientific research center that was co-founded by his friend Murray Gell-Mann, a Nobel-winning physicist.

The two men met after Mr. McCarthy received a MacArthur "genius" grant in 1981, the first year it was awarded. Mr. McCarthy was living out of a motel room at the time, and he bought a small stone cottage in El Paso with some of the $236,000 grant.

He refused to teach creative writing, calling it "a hustle," and never went on tour or gave public readings. When it came to autographing books, he told the Wall Street Journal that he signed 250 copies of "The Road" and gave them all to his younger son John, "so when he turns 18 he can sell them and go to Las Vegas or whatever."

His apparent lack of interest in promoting his novels was complemented by a fierce devotion to writing them, sometimes at the expense of his family life. His three marriages ended in divorce, and he described himself as an absent father to his first son, who was born while he was working on his debut novel.

"Creative work is often driven by pain," he added. "It may be that if you don't have something in the back of your head driving you nuts, you may not do anything. It's not a good arrangement. If I were God, I wouldn't have done it that way."

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The third of six children, Charles Joseph McCarthy Jr. was born in Providence on July 20, 1933.

Mr. McCarthy — by some accounts, Cormac was an old family nickname — grew up in Knoxville, where his father worked for the Tennessee Valley Authority and became the federal power utility's top lawyer. The family settled in a 10-room home surrounded by fish ponds and rock gardens, not far from woods, caves, and creeks where Mr. McCarthy would fish and hunt as a boy, acquiring animal hides that he and one of his brothers sold downtown.

From a young age, he rebelled against his upper-middle-class upbringing.

"I was not what they had in mind," he said of his parents. "I felt early on I wasn't going to be a respectable citizen. I hated school from the day I set foot in it." He graduated from parochial school, enrolled at the University of Tennessee, dropped out, and joined the Air Force.

While stationed in Alaska, Mr. McCarthy began reading obsessively, drawn to the novels of Melville, Dostoevsky, and Faulkner. He returned to the University of Tennessee in 1957 and dropped out again three years later to focus on writing what became his first novel, "The Orchard Keeper" (1965).

The book followed the interlocking stories of a hermetic old man, a rebellious young moonshiner, and a mink-trapping child in rural Tennessee, and it received a first-novel award from the William Faulkner Foundation. (He and Faulkner, who died in 1962, shared an interest in Southern folkways; they also happened to have the same editor, Albert R. Erskine Jr. of Random House.)

By the time "The Orchard Keeper" was published, Mr. McCarthy was married and divorced from his first wife, poet Lee Holleman McCarthy, with whom he had a son, Cullen. Decades later, her obituary in the Bakersfield Californian said that she filed for divorce when Mr. McCarthy asked her to "get a day job so he could focus on his novel writing," even though she was already "caring for the baby and tending to the chores of the house."

The abandonment of a child kicked off the plot of Mr. McCarthy's second novel, "Outer Dark," which he wrote while living on the Spanish island of Ibiza with his second wife, Anne De Lisle, a British singer. They met while he was traveling to Europe on an American Academy of Arts and Letters fellowship, and they later moved near Knoxville, where Mr. McCarthy gradually converted an old dairy barn into a home.

"We lived in total poverty," De Lisle told the Times. "We were bathing in the lake. Someone would call up and offer him $2,000 to come speak at a university about his books. And he would tell them that everything he had to say was there on the page. So we would eat beans for another week." They separated in 1976, around the time Mr. McCarthy moved to El Paso, fascinated by the landscape and mythology of the West.

After setting his previous novels in eastern Tennessee, he began crisscrossing the Texas-Mexico border, studying the landscape in preparation for westerns such as "Blood Meridian."

His follow-up, "All the Pretty Horses," featured one of his most sympathetic characters, 16-year-old cowboy John Grady Cole, who rides to Mexico after learning that his family is selling its Texas ranch. The novel was adapted into a 2000 movie starring Matt Damon and was the first installment in Mr. McCarthy's Border Trilogy, which also included "The Crossing" (1994) and "Cities of the Plain" (1998).

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Although Mr. McCarthy maintained a reputation as an unusually single-minded author, plugging away at his novels without a care for their commercial prospects, he also wrote occasionally for film and television. One of his unsold screenplays inspired the Border Trilogy. Another evolved into his novel "No Country for Old Men," about the aftermath of a drug deal gone wrong.

Mr. McCarthy wrote the screenplay for "The Counselor" (2013), a violent, meandering Ridley Scott crime thriller about a Texas lawyer (Michael Fassbender) caught up in the drug trade. He also wrote two plays, "The Stonemason" (first performed in 1995) and "The Sunset Limited" (2006), which he adapted into an HBO movie. The 2011 film starred Samuel L. Jackson as Black, an ex-convict and born-again Christian who tries to dissuade White (Tommy Lee Jones, who also directed) from suicide.

The play's central tensions — between hope and despair, faith and unbelief — were also at the fore in "The Road," about a father and son trying to keep moving through a violent, ash-covered world.

"He knew only that the child was his warrant," Mr. McCarthy wrote of the father. "He said: if he is not the word of God God never spoke."

The novel was dedicated to John McCarthy, his son from his third marriage, to Jennifer Winkley.

"A lot of the things that the kid [in the book] says are things that John said," Mr. McCarthy told the Journal. "John said, 'Papa, what would you do if I died?' I said, 'I'd want to die, too,' and he said, 'So you could be with me?' I said, 'Yes, so I could be with you.' Just a conversation that two guys would have."

Survivors include his son John. Additional details were not immediately available.

By the early 2000s, Mr. McCarthy was spending much of his time at the Santa Fe Institute, where he served as a kind of artist-in-residence, chatting with researchers and helping edit their work for publication. He found scientists far more interesting than writers, he said, and drew on his time there to write what was apparently his first nonfiction piece, a 2017 essay for the science magazine Nautilus, in which he examined the relationship between language and the unconscious.

His scientific interests seeped into his last two books, "The Passenger" and "Stella Maris," intertwined novels that were published within weeks of each other in 2022, when he was 89. The books focused on two siblings, a math prodigy and her salvage-diver brother, with an incestuous attachment and a father who helped develop the atomic bomb.

Both novels received mixed reviews, although critics generally praised Mr. McCarthy for trading his usual mythic characters for more ordinary-seeming people, including what for him was a rare female protagonist. Mr. McCarthy declined to talk about the books, but was known to have been working on a new project for more than a decade, fueled by a recognition of his advance age.

"Your future gets shorter and you recognize that," he said in 2009. "In recent years, I have had no desire to do anything but work and be with John. I hear people talking about going on a vacation or something and I think, what is that about? I have no desire to go on a trip. My perfect day is sitting in a room with some blank paper. That's heaven. That's gold and anything else is just a waste of time."

Treat Williams, 71; acted in film version of 'Hair,' TV shows including 'Everwood'

By Mike Ives
NEW YORK TIMES

Treat Williams, an actor known for his roles in the movies "Hair" and "Deep Rising" and the TV show "Everwood," has died. He was 71.

Mr. Williams died Monday after an SUV crashed into his motorcycle in Dorset, Vt., the Vermont State Police said in a statement.

The crash occurred in the late afternoon near the Vermont-New York border.

The Vermont State Police said that a southbound SUV attempting to turn left into a parking lot drove into the path of Mr. Williams's northbound Honda motorcycle, adding that Mr. Williams was "unable to avoid a collision and was thrown from his motorcycle."

Mr. Williams, who was wearing a helmet at the time of the accident, suffered critical injuries and was pronounced dead at a medical center in Albany, N.Y., after being airlifted there, the state police said. The 35-year-old man whose vehicle hit Mr. Williams was not hospitalized.

Police said an investigation was underway.

Richard Treat Williams was born in Stamford, Conn., in 1951. "Treat" is a Welsh name that has been in his family for generations.

Mr. Williams moved with his family to Rowayton, Conn., as a young child, he told Vermont Magazine in a 2021 interview. His father was a World War II veteran who later worked for the Merck pharmaceutical company. His mother owned a sailing and swimming school on Long Island Sound.

"Looking back on my younger years, I had an idyllic childhood, but I didn't initially realize how idyllic it truly was until I grew older," he told the magazine.

Mr. Williams began acting in seventh grade, he told Vermont Magazine. Later, at Franklin and Marshall College in Pennsylvania, he quit the football team to focus on acting.

Within a few years, he was on Broadway as the understudy to four of the male leads in "Grease," including John Travolta. Then he began picking up roles in films starring James Earl Jones, Michael Caine, and other A-list stars. One of his highest-profile roles was playing a hippie in the 1979 film version of "Hair," directed by Milos Forman.

But his success wasn't always assured. After a movie he starred in flopped in 1980 — the comedy "Why Would I Lie?" — Mr. Williams started flying planes for a company in Los Angeles.

"I'd done eight films, none of which had been successful," he told The New York Times in 1981. "I felt so out of control. I wasn't working with people I wanted to work with. I was very frustrated."

Mr. Williams eventually came back to show business and racked up four more decades of roles in a wide variety of film and television projects.

Among other highlights, he played the lead roles of a police officer-turned-informant in the 1981 film "Prince of the City" and a boat captain in the 1998 action movie "Deep Rising."

He also starred in "Everwood," a WB television series about a New York neurosurgeon who starts a new life with his family in the mountains of Colorado after his wife dies in a car accident. The show debuted in 2002 and ran for four seasons.

More recently, Mr. Williams played the impossibly single old flame of a woman who tries to sell her hometown in the 2020 Netflix musical "Dolly Parton's Christmas on the Square." He also played a retired detective in the 2022 HBO series "We Own This City."

Information about Mr. Williams's survivors was not immediately available.

Hours before he died, Mr. Williams, who lived in Manchester Center, Vt., posted a photo on Twitter that he appeared to have taken from the seat of his lawn mower.

"Mowing today," he wrote. "Wish I could bottle the scent."

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Best-selling author Ali Hazelwood wants you to fall in love with science

The neuroscientist turned STEM-centric romance writer is in town to discuss her newest novel, 'Love, Theoretically'

By Maddie Browning
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Ali Hazelwood moved from Italy to the United States and earned a PhD in neuroscience. Now, along with her peer-reviewed publications, she writes romance novels set in STEM.

Her 2021 bestseller, "The Love Hypothesis," presented an academia-themed spin on the fake-dating trope, featuring a PhD candidate and professor. Last year's "Love on the Brain" involved neuroscience — her forte — and her "STEMinist" novellas dabble in the likes of environmental, civil, and aerospace engineering.

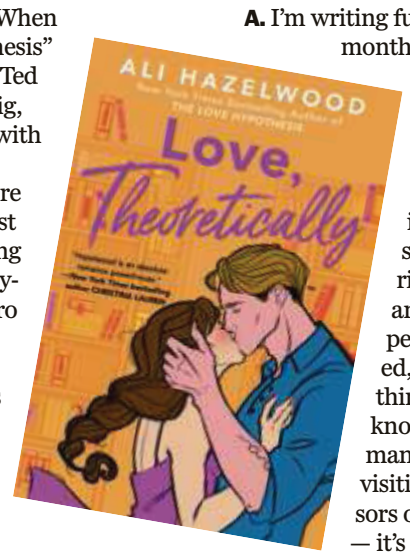
In her latest, "Love, Theoretically," out June 13, Hazelwood tackles the trope of enemies to lovers with a fake-dating twist. This time, theoretical physicist, Elsie, falls for her professional rival and her *fake* boyfriend's *brother,* Jack, an experimentalist. While the two types of physicists rely on each other for progress, they do not always see eye to eye — in science or love.

Hazelwood will read from her new book at the Brattle Theatre , presented by Harvard Book Store, on Wednesday. Before the event, she hopped on a Zoom call with the Globe, to discuss what drew her to the genre, stone-faced sweetheart Roy Kent, and the hierarchy of academia.

Q. What initially sparked your interest in romance?
A. The first romance book that I ever read was [a] Harlequin romance. At the time, I was watching "Friends" reruns, and I was obsessed with Ross and Rachel. I found one of those category romance novels, and the characters' names were Ross and Rachel, and that is how it all started. I was 11. I was way too young to be reading that book.

Q. Adam and Olive end up in Boston in "The Love Hypothesis," and the characters in the new novel, Elsie and Jack, live there. What is your connection to the city?
A. When I moved to the US for my PhD, my first conference was in Boston. I ended up [setting the books] in Boston because every single university seems to be in Boston. I really wanted a place where there could be several good institutions that Adam and Olive could be at. It just felt right.

Q. How do you feel about your book event at The Brattle with Harvard Book Store?
A. I'm so excited! When "The Love Hypothesis" was coming out, "Ted Lasso" was very big, and I was in love with it. Someone from Harvard Book Store tagged me in a post that said something like, "'The Love Hypothesis' has a hero who has big Roy Kent energy," and I was like, "This is the best thing that anyone will ever say about my writing."



Q. In "Love, Theoretically," you discuss the inequities and imbalances of power between tenured faculty and grad students/adjunct professors. Why did you decide to explore this in the novel?
A. I'm writing full time, but until six months ago, I was in academia, as well. The disparity between tenured professors and the way new graduates are treated is just appalling. The situation in academia right now is that there are fewer jobs than people who are interested, and that is something that institutions know. That's how they managed to get a lot of visiting assistant professors or adjunct professors — it's what everyone calls the "adjunctification" of academia. They are not given any kind of support, and they are so underpaid. I wanted to have a character who was going through that. I have had times when I was like, "Will I have enough money at the end of this month?"

Q. Why did you decide to write Elsie's character as having diabetes?
A. I wanted her to be in a situation where it's a ticking time bomb [for health insurance coverage], like, "If I don't get this job, I'm gonna be screwed." I wanted to show that if you have any pre-existing condition or chronic illness, you are going to be incredibly penalized by academia.

Q. How do you make complicated science accessible to the average romance reader?
A. I am a neuroscientist, so I didn't know very much about physics [the field Elsie and Jack are in]. When I was writing about liquid crystals, I was like, "I have no idea what's happening," so I had to make it accessible for me for this specific book.

It was a little hard for my previous book, "Love on the Brain," because the main character is a neuroscientist. I just was vomiting information about my own doctorate, and that's when my editor was incredibly helpful. She was like, "I am your average reader who does not have a degree in neuroscience. This makes no sense."

Q. What can you tell us about your YA debut, "Check & Mate," coming out in November?
A. It's definitely the book that I wanted to write the most — I have had snippets of it written since 2018. It's about this talented girl who has left the world of chess for reasons that have to do with her private life and family, but when she inadvertently defeats the number one player in the world, she gets thrown back in the world of professional chess.

Q. What's your favorite romance trope?
A. Fated mates, so like soul mates or destiny. I'm a sucker for that.

Q. Do you have one romance book that is your all-time favorite?
A. "The One in My Heart" by Sherry Thomas. It's a contemporary romance set in STEM that has inspired me so much. The main character [is] a material science professor and a scientist, and the main male character is a doctor, and their interactions are amazing. It's a mix of fake [dating], friends with benefits, destiny. It's Sherry Thomas perfection.

Ali Hazelwood will discuss her novel "Love, Theoretically" with author Jenny Howe at The Brattle Theatre on June 14 at 6 p.m.

Interview was edited and condensed. Maddie Browning can be reached at maddie.browning@globe.com.

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> ALI HAZELWOOD, *talking about "Love, Theoretically"*

The honeymoon is over in Gloucester's delightful 'Private Lives'

By Terry Byrne
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

GLOUCESTER — Nearly a century after "Private Lives" first opened, Noël Coward's precisely plotted romantic comedy shows little signs of wear or tear. And although the Gloucester Stage Company production takes a while to find its footing, patience is rewarded with the ensemble's escalating antics.

Coward's dramatic structure is layered like the most delicate cake, and although it's perfectly fine to simply enjoy the farcical fun, director Diego Arciniegas has opened the door to a deeper peek into relationships that look so normal on the surface but require so much more to make love last.

The play opens at a resort in Deauville, France, where Elyot (Gunnar Manchester) and Sibyl (Serenity S'rae) are enjoying the first day of their honeymoon. By chance, Elyot's ex-wife Amanda (Katie Croyle) and her new husband, Victor (Stephen Shore), are in the adjacent room and share a balcony. As Coward collects delicious details about each newly married couple's relationship, with both Sibyl and Victor seemingly obsessed with the partner who preceded them, the inevitable reunion between Elyot and Amanda takes place.

Act I requires the repressed emotional enthusiasm that has become an upper-class British stereotype, combined with the crisp, fast-paced banter that is Coward's signature. Arciniegas almost sculpts the action of the play, providing his ensemble with carefully crafted positioning while allowing them to explore their characters' distinctive idiosyncrasies. The tempo starts out a little slow, and lacks the crisp timing Coward's witty, sardonic banter needs to really dance, but once Elyot dares to leap over to Amanda's balcony, the energy onstage begins to crackle.

JASON GROW

Stephen Shore, Serenity S'rae, and Gunnar Manchester in Gloucester Stage Company's "Private Lives."

Acts II and III take place in Amanda's Parisian apartment, where she and Elyot have holed up for their return to romance, delighting in each other's company while avoiding a pending confrontation with their newly shorn spouses. But it only takes a few minutes before the magnetic attraction that draws them together — Amanda calls it "our chemical what do you call 'ems" — also pushes them violently apart. Anything and everything can spark an argument, from the volume on the gramophone to whether or not adders snap or sting. That physical connection, although played out with hilarious athleticism, also provides entrée to this pair's deeper attraction to each other's intelligence, world view, and astute understanding that "flippancy is a necessity because life is too serious to be taken seriously."

Two of the more tender moments that can get glossed over in other productions occur when Amanda sings to Elyot (shyly, hesitantly) and when Elyot sings while playing the piano (wonderfully played by Manchester). They are moments of vulnerability among these two kindred souls who do everything they can to avoid revealing their weak spots.

As Amanda, Croyle balances a prim veneer of respectability and charm over her wild, rule-breaking heart. She deliciously sinks her teeth into Amanda's spoiled rich girl attitude through her facial expressions, pursing her lips and allowing the stillness to contrast with the aggressive moves she makes when angered. She insists she chose Victor so she could settle down to a quiet, peaceful life, but she makes it immediately obvious to the audience, if not to herself, that this will never work.

As Elyot, Manchester becomes sleeker and more sophisticated as the play moves forward. He and Croyle have wonderful chemistry together, so that glances exchanged across the Parisian apartment living room feel intimate and romantic.

Shore and S'rae, portraying the catalysts for the primary couple's reunion, deliver the goods while giving their characters some much-needed personality. Shore infuses the much-put-upon Victor with quirks that provide him with nerdy charm. When he and Elyot assume ridiculous fighting stances before a silly brawl, there's a tension between hilarity and fear that one of them might actually get hurt. S'rae makes Sibyl appropriately immature and needy, only to reveal she has sturdier stuff in Act II. Her own confrontation with Victor is worth the price of admission alone.

One of the unseen stars of the show is fight and intimacy director Angie Jepson, who builds out a series of clashes between both couples that are elegant, ferocious, and so fluid they manage to appear both balletic and aggressive at once.

While "Private Lives" can be tossed off as a simple romantic farce, it's to Arciniegas and his ensemble's credit that there's more to these private lives than meets the eye.

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By Noël Coward. Directed by Diego Arciniegas. At Gloucester Stage Company, 267 E. Main St., Gloucester. Through June 25. Tickets $15-$67. gloucesterstage.com/private-lives

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Above: Megan Cunningham, a sophomore from Waltham, pours wine for guests during dinner service at La Chanterelle, a teaching restaurant at Endicott College, on April 13. Right: Chef Ryan Blodgett helps a student prepare food in the kitchen.

Endicott sets the table for students' success. Those students set the table for you.

By Peggy Hernandez | Globe Correspondent

Dinner at La Chanterelle one recent evening bordered on elegant. The waitstaff, dressed in dark, long-sleeved shirts and waist-high bistro aprons, was attentive throughout the three-course meal. The view was breathtaking: floor-to-ceiling windows overlooked a deep green lawn abutting the sun-speckled Salem Sound.

But the arancini threw off the service.

Word had spread the lightly fried Italian rice balls atop a dollop of marinara sauce were delicious. So many customers ordered the appetizer, the kitchen got backed up and the entrees — Caprese Chicken, Grilled Swordfish, Seared Duck — were delayed. Customers merely shrugged. "This," you could almost hear them saying to one another, "is how the staff learns to manage obstacles."

> 'It provided the best foundation to set my career in hospitality. . . . It was magical to see the teamwork.'
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> ALICIA LAPRIORE, *a 2009 grad now working at The Country Club*

La Chanterelle, in Beverly, is no ordinary restaurant. It's an Endicott College classroom located inside a historic brick building offering dinners at about $40 per person for 40 guests on Thursdays during the academic year. Students alternate semesters working alongside faculty and staff in the front of the house (managing operations and waiting on guests) and the back of the house (culinary training in the kitchen). It's all part of their studies toward a business degree in hospitality management, a field that includes jobs in restaurants, hotels, casinos, and more.

"I can't say enough about Endicott. It provided the best foundation to set my career in hospitality," says Alicia Lapriore, a 2009 graduate and events director for Brookline's The Country Club. "I never felt like a student. I felt like my professors were seeing us as adults. They threw us into situations. I'd be in back of La Chanterelle doing prep before an evening shift, cutting carrots, preparing escargot. It was magical to see the teamwork."

"Endicott gave me the tools and the support to grow into a personality that could lead a team of 100 people," adds Jonathan Pozzi, a 2019 graduate and assistant general manager of The Grand, a Seaport nightclub. "That was something I never thought I could do in high school. I was never the leader, I never wanted to talk, I never wanted to be in charge."

Endicott's students are part of the next wave of hospitality as the nation's industry rebounds from the COVID pandemic and subsequent fallout, such as staffing shortages, food cost increases, and supply chain issues. In February 2020, almost 17 million people were employed in all hospitality areas, according to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics. Af-

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Hulu's 'Drag Me to Dinner' puts the 'kitsch' in 'kitchen'

By Devra First
GLOBE STAFF

If you're looking for a cooking show where the cooking actually matters, you're at the wrong key party, honey. "Drag Me to Dinner," which premiered on Hulu just in time for Pride Month, is a mashup of concepts like "RuPaul's Drag Race" and "Chopped." It is a premise both brilliant and inevitable, but this isn't "Top Chef" in heels. (That I can hear the cast chiming in my head, "More like '*Bottom* Chef!'" is a measure of the show's aesthetic consistency.) It's more "drag show with suggestively wielded ingredients and inappropriate food puns" — and once you swallow that, well, I'll end the sentence here. The jokes, they write themselves.

Here is the basic idea: In each episode, two pairs of drag queens face off to create a dinner party with an ever-changing theme, such as Tropical Kiki, Whoring '20s, or Tupperware Party. For anyone who follows drag, many of the performers will be familiar from screen and stage — BeBe Zahara Benet, Kim Chi, Vanessa Vanjie Mateo, Ginger Minj, Jinkx Monsoon, and more than 30

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Darienne Lake (left) and Mrs. Kasha Davis in the "Tupperware Party" episode of "Drag Me to Dinner," on Hulu just in time for Pride Month.

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WHAT SHE'S HAVING

Nan's Kitchen in Stow calls itself 'Boston Market for Generation Z'

SUZANNE KREITER/GLOBE STAFF

Fried chicken sandwich at Nan's Kitchen & Market, a popular spot in Stow.

By Sheryl Julian
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

You might call Jordan and Reanna "Nan" Mackey accidental restaurateurs, except he had plenty of professional kitchen experience before they opened Nan's Kitchen & Market in Stow. What they didn't have was any idea how an entirely takeout menu would do in the area. A restaurant without seats.

The Mackeys thought the concept was perfect for a pandemic. The investors did not, he says, but agreed to go along. "I said to the investors, 'This is not about you anymore. If I win, you win.' "

It seems like they are all winning. Mackey calls Nan's "a Boston Market for Generation Z," because you can stop by on the way home and get your entire dinner for a variety of tastes and preferences.

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Insider

ERIK GOULD

Ryuryukyo Shinsai's "Lobster and Cup," part of the RISD exhibit on Japan's Edo period.

Savoring 'Eating in Edo' at RISD Museum

PROVIDENCE — Japan's Edo period lasted from 1615-1868. It was an era of prosperity and peace. Among other things, wealth and lack of conflict meant food was plentiful and culinary culture could flourish. There were restaurants, cookbooks, and festivals.

"Eating in Edo," at the RISD Museum, offers an appetizing look at that culinary culture. The show is small, consisting of just 18 woodblock prints. But those prints are choice, including work by the two most famous artists of the period: one by Hokusai and four by Hiroshige.

The richness of the art is no surprise, thanks to the quality of the RISD collection. What is a surprise is how much ground "Eating in Edo" covers with so few prints.

There's dining, of course, but also picnicking, farming, salt harvesting, fishing (both the conventional kind and the kind using cormorants). Items on the menu, as one might say, include sushi, mochi, soy sauce, dango (rice-flour dumplings), peaches, eggplants, loquats, sake, a spiny lobster, corn, aju (sweetfish), gourd strips, and rice cakes filled with red-bean paste and wrapped in oak leaves.

A culture where the preparation and savoring of food can be a form of art is here celebrated in art about the preparation and savoring of food. "Hokusai: Inspiration and Influence" is currently drawing crowds at the Museum of Fine Arts. Anyone left hungry for more can help feed that appetite at RISD.

"Eating in Edo" is at the RISD Museum, 20 N. Main St., Providence, through Oct. 1. 401-454-6500, risdmuseum.org

MARK FEENEY

The driving force behind Collettey's Cookies' success? A baker on a mission

Collette Divitto is a rock star. No, she's not in a band, but she's got tons of fans and is often surrounded by paparazzi. People Magazine, CNN, MSNBC, Fox, ABC, CBS, NBC News, and many others have featured her. She gives speeches nationwide, delivered a TEDx talk, and has a YouTube series. Divitto is the CEO of Collettey's Cookies, a business she founded in 2016. By the way, she was born with Down syndrome. She's never let this stop her. A North End resident, Divitto always loved to bake and began the cookie business after years of job hunting — and job rejections. This propelled her to start her own business with the goal of eventually creating jobs for others with disabilities like hers. It was her neighborhood market, the Golden Goose, that got her started. Now, Divitto bakes 250,000 cookies a year in a Boston kitchen and sells them on her website, wholesale, and for events. Recently, the company introduced small bags of bite-size cookies for retailers in two flavors, Crispy Chocolate Chip Cinnamon and Crunchy Oatmeal Raisin. They're buttery, crisp little rounds you'll want to keep popping in your mouth. Still, Divitto focuses on her core mission beyond just cookies. A portion of the profits is donated to her nonprofit, Collettey's Leadership Programs, which offers workshops, mentoring, and advocacy centered on education and employment for people with disabilities. *The cookies are available at Stop & Shop, Star, and Shaw's markets locations, and others. $5.99 for 4 ounces.*

ANN TRIEGER KURLAND

In a new kids' book, ramen finds self-love in a spaghetti-obsessed world

"I wanted this story to show kids that they are perfect just the way they are," says author Kiera Wright-Ruiz about her debut book, "I WANT TO BE SPAGHETTI," published by Penguin Young Readers. The author, a Tokyo-based food writer and recipe developer, weaves a story based on her personal experience as a youth struggling with identity and acceptance. Brightly colored, funny, comic-book-like illustrations by artist Claudia Lam add to its appeal. Using an orange instant ramen package on a supermarket shelf as a metaphor, the ramen notices spaghetti propaganda everywhere and that more people are buying spaghetti. "I am ramen, but I want to be spaghetti because everybody loves spaghetti," the ramen declares. When the package arrives at a home and is put into a warm bowl of broth along with nori and narutomaki (new words for young readers), the character realizes the differences that make him special and unique, finding self-love in a spaghetti-obsessed world. Wright-Ruiz's intent is to help bolster kids' self-esteem and embrace what makes each unique. She also adds some history about noodles and instant ramen, invented in Japan in 1958 by Momofuku Ando in response to food shortages after the Second World War. "I did my best to write the book I wish I had back when I was a 5-year-old," says Wright-Ruiz. "I hope it inspires kids as much as it teaches them about the importance of diversity." *Available at randomhousebooks.com and many online booksellers.*

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SEASONAL RECIPES

WHAT TO COOK THIS WEEK

KAROLINE BOEHM GOODNICK FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Green Salad with Buttermilk Vinaigrette and Crispy Capers

Serves 4

Supple late-spring lettuces and fresh herbs are stacked high at farmers' markets and farm stands. They pair nicely with a buttermilk vinaigrette, similar to Ranch dressing, but lighter and fresher. To give the bowl another interesting element, gently dry brined capers (make sure they are quite dry), then fry them until they are crispy. Don't walk away from the skillet because they cook quickly. Toss a variety of locally grown, tender lettuces with the capers and dressing and serve beside your favorite grill.

VINAIGRETTE

- **½ cup buttermilk**
- **¼ cup mayonnaise**
- **1 tablespoon white wine vinegar**
- **2 teaspoons sugar**
- **1 clove garlic, grated**
- **1 small shallot, finely chopped**
- **⅓ cup chopped fresh herbs (chives, thyme, parsley, dill)**
- **Salt and pepper, to taste**

1. In a bowl, combine the buttermilk, mayonnaise, vinegar, sugar, garlic, shallot, herbs, and a generous pinch each of salt and pepper.
2. Stir until thoroughly combined. Taste for seasoning, and add more salt and pepper, if you like.

SALAD

- **¼ cup capers in brine, drained**
- **¼ cup canola oil**
- **1 pound assorted lettuces, cored, leaves torn in 2-inch pieces**

1. Tip the capers onto paper towels and gently pat them until they are thoroughly dry.
2. In a small skillet over medium heat, heat the oil until it is hot. Add the capers and cook, stirring often and gently, for 2 to 4 minutes, or until the capers are crispy and many have popped open.
3. Line a plate with dry paper towels. With a slotted spoon, transfer the capers to the paper towels.
4. In a bowl, toss the lettuces with the dressing. Transfer to a 4 plates. Top with capers.

Karoline Boehm Goodnick

Rhubarb Almond Galette

Makes one 9-inch round

Get out the flour canister for one of the best desserts of the season. Tart rhubarb is the forgotten sister of summer fruits (though technically, rhubarb is a vegetable). This lightly sweetened galette is built on a buttery, ground almond pastry. Almonds with their skins add a ton of flavor to the pastry, which comes together quickly in a food processor. If you plan on making fruit pies or tarts this summer, try using tapioca flour (sometimes called tapioca starch) instead of cornstarch to thicken the filling. It's not as hard to find as it has been, and the filling after baking has a clear, glossy texture. It also thickens liquids at a lower temperature (140 degrees) than cornstarch or flour. This tart needs no embellishment, but if you want to gild the lily, add a scoop of ice cream or spoonful of whipped cream. The galette is best the day it is baked.

SALLY PASLEY VARGAS FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

PASTRY

- **¾ cup whole unskinned almonds**
- **1¼ cups flour**
- **2 tablespoons granulated sugar**
- **½ teaspoon salt**
- **½ cup (1 stick) cold unsalted butter, cut into ½-inch cubes**
- **¼ cup ice water, or more if needed**

1. Set the oven at 350 degrees. Line a rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. Spread the almonds on the baking sheet. Bake for 10 minutes, or until they smell toasty. Cool completely.
3. In a food processor, work the almonds until they are very finely chopped. Remove and set aside ¼ cup for the filling. Set the parchment-lined baking sheet aside for baking the galette.
4. To the remaining almonds in the food processor, add the flour, sugar, salt, and cold butter. Pulse the mixture about 4 times, or until the butter is in pea-size pieces (a few large pieces are okay because you will process the dough again when you add the water.)
5. Remove the processor lid and sprinkle the ice water over the flour mixture. Pulse until the mixture looks beady but does not yet form large clumps. Press a small amount of dough together in your hand. It should form a clump that holds together firmly when pressed without cracking. If it feels dry, add more ice water, 1 tablespoon at a time, and pulse briefly.
6. Tip the dough crumbles onto the countertop. Press them together with cupped hands to form a disk. Wrap tightly in plastic and refrigerate for 20 minutes or up to one day.

FILLING

- **Flour (for sprinkling)**
- **¼ cup ground almonds (reserved from pastry)**
- **Grated rind of 1 orange**
- **¼ cup granulated sugar**
- **2 tablespoons tapioca flour or cornstarch**
- **Pinch of salt**
- **4 large stalks (about ¾ pound) fresh rhubarb, cut into 1-inch pieces (2½ cups)**
- **1 egg, lightly beaten with 1 tablespoon cold water**
- **Turbinado or granulated sugar (for sprinkling)**

1. Set the oven at 375 degrees. Have the parchment-lined baking sheet on hand.
2. On a lightly floured counter, roll the dough into a 13-inch circle. Transfer it to the baking sheet; it's okay if it hangs over the edge a little. Leaving a 3-inch border all around, sprinkle the ¼ cup ground almonds in a circle in the center.
3. In a large bowl, rub the orange rind into the sugar. Stir in the tapioca flour or cornstarch and salt. Add the rhubarb and toss to coat it all over.
4. Spread the rhubarb over the circle of almonds. Fold the outside rim of dough over the fruit, pleating as necessary to form a round. Press the edge gently to seal the pleats. Brush the edge with the egg mixture. Sprinkle with turbinado or granulated sugar.
5. Bake the galette for 40 to 45 minutes, or until the filling is bubbling in the center and the crust is golden brown. Set the galette on a wire rack to cool for at least 20 minutes before cutting into slices. *Sally Pasley Vargas*

TANDEM RHODE ISLAND

Shingara 'Peppino' Singh cooks Indian and Italian food in Sudbury and Waltham, seven days a week

By Kara Baskin
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

Hudson's Shingara "Peppino" Singh, 57, works seven days a week. It's not surprising, since he runs four restaurants: Da Vinci and Peppino's Dosa in Waltham, plus Da Vinci Bistro and Soul of India in Sudbury. The Italian-Indian combination might seem unusual, but it fits. He moved from northern India to Hanover, Germany, as a teenager, where he boarded with an Italian family and learned to cook.

GETTING SALTY

At 23, he arrived in Boston, landing a job at Cambridge's House of Blues. Eventually, he became executive chef at La Campania in Waltham. He's still firmly rooted in his adopted city: The newest Da Vinci just opened six months ago on Moody Street's restaurant row.

Why did you move from India to Germany?

At the age of 16, I wanted a better life, where I could make money and take care of my family. I knew I had to move out of India to make a living. There wasn't much money to make in India, and while it was hard to leave my family, I knew it was going to be for the better.

My oldest brother was already in Hanover, Germany, as a chef and worked alongside the family I ended up moving in with. In 1985, my mentor, Aldo Ferraro, opened a restaurant and taught me how to master Italian cuisine.

Today, I know it was the best decision I made, because I'm now running my own restaurants with my family by my side.

What type of foods did you grow up eating?

My father, my older brother, and I worked on a farm. We owned a big farm back home. We did all the growing of vegetables, rice, grain, and sugarcane.

Everybody loved my mom's food. Her food was about art and love. That's why we [cook] with heart. We ate traditional Northern Indian Punjabi food. My family was vegetarian. [This is] one of the reasons I opened Peppino's Dosa, which is authentic vegetarian Indian food. I know my mom and dad would be proud.

What influenced your decision to become a chef?

My older brother was a chef, he got me started at a young age, teaching me. But I always had a love for food. I was always around people who loved to cook, and I come from a big family. We were always together around the table enjoying big meals. Both Indian and Italian food is my passion.

What was it like moving to Boston and working at House of Blues in the early '90s? What was the culture like at the time, and what's changed in the Boston restaurant scene?

When I arrived in Boston, I didn't speak English: only Italian, German, and Punjabi. My younger brother was already here, and while I was a little intimidated by the unknown, I felt comfortable knowing we had each other. I have always loved Boston culture, and it has always welcomed me and became home to me quickly. I couldn't imagine living in any other city. It has always been a great culinary city.

Boston has really grown day by day. There are so many amazing restaurants to choose from. There are more cultural restaurants, which I love. You can get Vietnamese, Cuban, French, whatever you want, any time. I always think back to 1992, when there were only four to five restaurants in Waltham. Now there are 50 to 60 restaurants, and they are all terrific.

Boston's culture is so good. Boston people know food. Plus, I shop myself. I go to the produce market; I pick up my own vegetables every Tuesday and Thursday. We only keep them for three days. Fresh ingredients? Boston has it. Seafood is beautiful and fresh; it comes right from the ocean. I just picked up chanterelle mushrooms for a special. The food culture, the people? Boston is the best city in the world.

We have so many more restaurant options outside the city that have become popular. Even though it has grown so much, there is still a very tight-knit community of chefs who have always supported each other.

What could be improved about the local restaurant scene?

The best thing in Boston is the use of fresh ingredients.

But customer service is very important. People want good-quality food. You don't have good quality? People come once. Give it one more chance. If the second time is no good, they won't come back to you. You have to focus on the food and customer service.

I talk to each table and my guests. I don't want to leave anybody with a sad face. I will finish cooking food in the kitchen. After I finish and slow down, I have to check each table: "How's everything?" You have to properly set up customer service. Everyone should go check the table.

Where do you eat when you're not working?

I work mostly seven days. I eat my wife's food! She makes anything she wants. If she gives me a glass of water, I'm so happy! She's very good at cooking Indian food. It's not easy! Happy wife; happy life.

> 'My happiest moment is guests always arriving and leaving with a smile. One of the other best things is that our family runs the restaurants together.'
> SHINGARA "PEPPINO" SINGH

What's the hardest and best thing about running a restaurant?

As of right now, it's very hard to get additional staff to work, and the food costs are very high. Everything is sky-high in prices, and maintaining high-quality ingredients is most important for me.

The best thing is seeing how happy my guests are when they dine with us at all four restaurants. My happiest moment is guests always arriving and leaving with a smile. One of the other best things is that our family runs the restaurants together. We all cook traditional Indian and classic Italian, and that is a lot of fun. My brother Jay and my nephew Ladi are by my side all the time and able to control quality and keep guests happy.

How would you describe your customers?

My customers in Sudbury, both at Da Vinci Bistro and Soul of India, are local guests who have been coming for a long time, who have become family. It's a nice mix of young couples, families, and diners who enjoy good-quality food. They feel like it is their restaurant. We see a lot of the same faces in both Sudbury and Waltham.

My customers in Waltham, both at Da Vinci and Peppino's, are young professionals living in the area — young couples and a lot of families.

Last but not least: What do you love to snack on when you're not at work?

It's hard to take off! Mostly, I work all the time. I make food with my family; we sit down and have fun. I have two kids, a boy and a girl. I spend time with my family on my day off.

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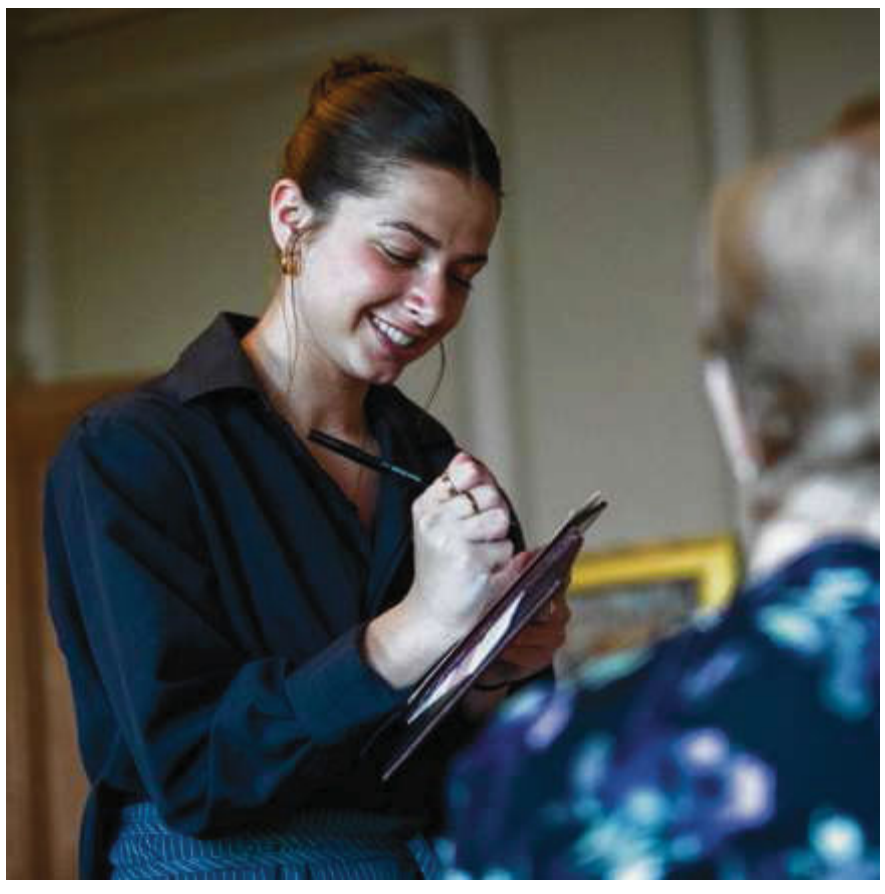

Endicott students get on-the-job restaurant training

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ter a precipitous decline during the remainder of 2020 due to quitting or closures, employment has rebounded to 16.5 million employees in April, the latest figures.

While the rebound is welcome, the numbers fall short of demand. The National Restaurant Association, in its 2023 state of the industry findings, says 62 percent of restaurants reported being understaffed. Meanwhile, the Bureau of Labor Statistics projects the US economy will add 1.9 million new jobs in leisure and hospitality between the period of 2021 and 2031. The projected increase is "the fastest of any sector," the bureau reports.

"We definitely need more people joining the hospitality industry," says chef Will Gilson, who owns Cambridge spots Puritan & Company, Puritan Oyster Bar, The Lexington, Café Beatrice, and Geppetto. "Most of our restaurants operate at three-quarters of the roster. Asking people to do double duty can lead to burnout and turning away potential business."

New England is rich with academic hospitality programs happy to fill hiring voids: Boston University, the University of Massachusetts at Amherst, and Johnson & Wales in Providence are among the most well-known. Endicott, though, touts the intimacy offered by a small private college and an attractive restaurant for on-site training. Undergraduate tuition is currently $38,312 annually, not including room and board.

Endicott prides itself on not simply educating its hospitality students, but training them to a high professional standard, and to be collaborative and sociable in the workplace. This is achieved through required service courses, such as those at La Chanterelle, and internships obtained with help from the college's connections.

"I always thought hospitality was for extroverts, but it's for any type of personality," says Emma Cyr, who graduates in 2024. Training at La Chanterelle "gives you confidence and interpersonal skills. It teaches you how to read people and how to present yourself." (She spoke via Zoom from her internship in Zurich at Les Roches, a top global hospitality school.)

Confidence is instilled, in part, by teaching student servers at La Chanterelle "to avoid phrases like 'you guys' and 'are you all set?' with guests and to keep it as professional as possible," says Kayla Richards, an instructor and the restaurant's operations coordinator. "Once you get into a position where you're meeting CEOs and CFOs, if you have that level of professionalism, you can carry yourself so comfortably in any situation."

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Top: Shelly Donahue (left) takes a dinner order at La Chanterelle, while Annie Keith helps a classmate sear cuts of meat. Above: a salad prepped for dinner.

La Chanterelle courses also teach students that no job is beneath them. "The higher up you get in your career doesn't mean there's more jobs you're not doing. It means there's more jobs you're going to have to do," Ryan Blodgett, Endicott's culinary arts instructor and La Chanterelle's general manager, tells students. "If there's an emergency, you might have to mop floors and run the dishwasher, even if you're the boss. You're jumping in, not delegating, to prevent a domino effect of disaster."

The students participate in four workshops before La Chanterelle opens each semester. They practice properly opening wine bottles, how to approach guests and serve a table, prepping food alongside the chefs, and plating orders. Last fall, prior to service one night, the student waiters were told they could read special menu items to guests from their notes, but had to memorize the specials for subsequent services.

"Yes, the food is important, but what we are teaching our students is how to behave as professionals while they are working with food or while they are working with the general public or while they are working with each other," says Rebecca Doyon, an Endicott instructor and La Chanterelle's pastry chef. She spoke while instructing nervous students on how to make and fill the pâte à choux pastry dessert.

Gilson, who graduated from Johnson & Wales's culinary arts and restaurant management program, says the restaurant industry rewards hard workers. "We've had servers in the last year who made six figures," he says. "If you have a leg up in experience, then you would be surprised at the pace at which you advance."

But, Gilson acknowledges, it's been particularly hard work since the pandemic. He says customers returned to restaurants and "some were being just awful to the staff because there was, in some way, pent-up frustration with the world and they hadn't dined out in so long. A lot of people left the industry after that. Folks who stayed would be very happy to see a new generation come out of hospitality programs and enter with this potential for making [guests] feel special."

Endicott was also affected by the pandemic. Enrollment dropped. Anthony Donaldson of the college's marketing office says enrollment in the hospitality program is regaining pre-pandemic levels. There was no hint, though, of enrollment issues at La Chanterelle during this academic year, which ended May 12. The restaurant was fully booked every Thursday of service.

Thursday dinners at La Chanterelle will resume in the fall. For more information about when reservations will become available, call 978-232-3040 or join the restaurant e-mail list at www.endicott.edu/academics/schools/business/learning-labs/la-chanterelle-restaurant/contact-us.

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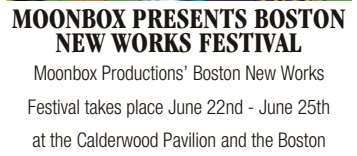

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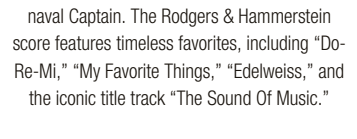

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Turkish Kurdish bulgur salad, called kisir, is similar to tabbouli, but rosier and spicier

The grain salad kisir, from southeast Turkey (Hatay, Gaziantep, and Adiyaman provinces) is similar to tabbouli. Both begin with fine bulgur. But where tabbouli is mixed with herbs, olive oil, and lemon juice, kisir is made with the additional ingredients of tomato paste, red pepper paste, pomegranate molasses, and Maras chile pepper. They turn kisir rosy and the chile pepper adds a little heat.

This version of kisir comes from Boston-based Koy Pantry, which imports artisan items from small Anatolian producers. Koy is Turkish for "village." The company was founded by Serdar Sinaci, who is Kurdish and came to the United States from Turkey as a boy, and Baran Bolukbas, who came from Turkey five years ago. They met while working at Sofra Bakery & Cafe in Cambridge. Kisir is a Turkish Kurdish specialty. The company's very fine bulgur is an heirloom grain made from the ancient wheat Karakilcik. Instead of cooking it, you mix it in a bowl with equal parts boiling water and let it bloom. At the end of soaking, the bulgur absorbs all the water. Then add pomegranate molasses, a magical ingredient you can use in marinades or dressings; mild or hot red pepper paste, for which you can sub harissa if it isn't too spicy; and Maras chile pepper or Aleppo pepper or crushed red pepper. These really elevate the grain. Then stir in plenty of lemon juice and olive oil, scallions, a lot of parsley, and let the dish sit for an hour or two for the flavors to mellow. If you like tabbouli, kisir will be a revelation.

SHERYL JULIAN

SHERYL JULIAN FOR THE BOSTON GLOBE

Kisir (Turkish Kurdish Bulgur Salad)

Serves 6

- 1 cup fine bulgur
- 1 cup boiling water
- ¼ cup olive oil, or more to taste
- 1 tablespoon pomegranate molasses
- 1 tablespoon mild Turkish pepper paste
- 1 tablespoon tomato paste
- Juice of 1 lemon, or more to taste
- ½ teaspoon salt, or more to taste
- 3 scallions, chopped
- ½ bunch fresh parsley, leaves finely chopped
- ½ bunch fresh mint, leaves finely chopped

1. In a heatproof bowl large enough to hold all the ingredients, combine the bulgur and boiling water. Stir well. Cover with plastic wrap and set aside for 15 minutes.
2. With a fork, fluff the bulgur. Leave until cool.
3. In another small bowl, whisk the olive oil, pomegranate molasses, pepper paste, tomato paste, lemon juice, and salt. Pour the mixture over the bulgur. With the fork, stir the bulgur until it is moistened all over with the olive oil mixture.
4. Add the scallions, parsley, and mint. Toss again. Taste for seasoning and add more lemon juice, olive oil, or salt, if you like.
5. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour for the flavors to mellow. Serve at room temperature.

Sheryl Julian. Adapted from Koy Pantry

Canned cocktails worth a try this summer

By Gary Dzen
GLOBE STAFF

BOTTLES

If you're reading this story and drink any form of alcohol even semi-regularly, you're probably familiar with the canned cocktail.

In the last few years the category has gone from obscure to everywhere, crowding shelves already filled with cans of beer, wine, and hard seltzer. Opting for convenience over the craft of something made by your favorite mixologist, canned cocktails as we're defining them here contain liquor along with other flavors and mixers, often mimicking traditional cocktails served in a glass. Industry folks often refer to them as "RTD's" for "ready to drink," but we'll skip the lingo here. According to NielsenIQ, sales of drinks like these topped $800 million in 2021, with an annual growth rate of 29 percent projected from 2021 to 2025.

Given the dizzying array of canned cocktails available to consumers today, we curated some of our favorites, with an emphasis on local products.

Canned cocktails from Barr Hill, Dogfish Head, and Loyal 9 are among the writer's favorites.

Barr Hill Gin & Tonic: This is the first canned offering from the Vermont-based distillery, which makes its gin with local raw honey. Other particulars here include tonic water Barr Hill spent two years developing, made with real cinchona tree bark. Flavor-wise, there's no Christmas tree here; you get the floral part of the gin and a nice citrus note, with no added sweeteners.

Casatera tequila seltzer: Let's get something out of the way first: I hate coconut, at least in the fake, add essence-of-suntan lotion to otherwise good food and drinks sense. I do like real coconuts, and Casatera has found a way here to add tequila to a base of what essentially tastes like fancy coconut water. Other flavors in a tropical variety pack include mango, passionfruit, and pineapple, all of which have zero sugar, carbs, or artificial sweeteners.

Dogfish Head cocktails: We're counting Dogfish Head as local here ever since the Delaware brewery merged with Boston Beer Company. While Dogfish has always nailed the beer game, they've also gotten into spirits, most notably with their "Crush" variety pack of canned cocktails. The two standouts here are the "Rum Crush" with pineapple and orange, as well as "Vodka Crush" with grapefruit and pomegranate. There are two full-proof shots in every can, and in addition to more booze there's a lot more flavor here than with any hard seltzer.

Nantucket Craft Cocktails Pina: You've seen the Nantucket "Blue" cans crop up at parties over the last few summers, and if you're lucky, you may have even tried a "Blue Haired Lady," a combo of Cisco Brewery's "Grey Lady" ale and blueberry vodka from Triple Eight Distillers, while on Nantucket. I intended to write about the blueberry canned cocktail here, but the Triple Eight people were so excited about their new offering that I relented. "Pina" combines blanco tequila with pineapple, orange, and a spicy jalapeno finish, and while I didn't want to like this, nothing overpowers and the drink is truly refreshing.

Loyal 9 Cocktails lemonade: Launched in Rhode Island in 2018, Loyal 9 was acquired by beverage conglomerate Diageo in 2021. The thing to drink here is the classic lemonade, which isn't too sweet or too tart, contains vodka, weighs in at 9 percent ABV.

Loverboy Limoncello Spritz: You may know Kyle Cooke from Bravo TV's "Summer House," where he plays himself as a hard-partying entrepreneur with a soft spot for his and wife Amanda Batula's two dogs. Originally from New Hampshire, Cooke founded Loverboy when he was seeking a healthier alternative to all the Twisted Tea he used to drink in his youth. The teas are good, but new this summer is a bright, effervescent spritz inspired by the couple's trip to Italy. It's available for a limited time on Loverboy's website.

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At Nan's, takeout and much more

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Nan's is so busy that no one could have imagined this. Customers stop by starting at 7 a.m. for a breakfast sandwich and other early-morning classics. Groups come at lunch and use one of the picnic tables on the property or dine al fresco on the grass somewhere on the 2-plus acres. They pull in on their way home from work and sports games. Customers order in advance online (you can order in person, but you'll have a wait). The idea here is that you can get a grain bowl with a large selection of toppings and dressings, Nan's now-famous fried chicken, which is made to order (it requires a two-hour lead time), an exceptional fried chicken sandwich, fresh biscuits, and a number of seasonal drinks, iced teas, and other sandwiches. There are plenty of choices for vegetarians and vegans, and family-sized orders of fried chicken every which way.

The market area carries cookbooks and products from local vendors. An organic and biodynamic wine area is large, with most white wines in a cooler, chilled, and ready for dinner (alas, no wine is allowed if you picnic on the grounds).

On weekends, Jordan Mackey or his dad, Joe, become parking attendants and manage the lot because it's so crowded.

In 2020, the couple found the real estate on Route 117 where Nan's now sits. It was once Stowaway Inn and was being rebuilt as a gift shop and cafe. "The entire community had been driving by it during construction," says Jordan Mackey. Then suddenly it was for sale.

He and his wife had a business plan to open a fried chicken restaurant, but it was sitting on a shelf while he ran 29 Rustic Mediterranean in Sudbury (a redo of 29 Sudbury). It opened and closed within a year. Now the duo have reopened the Sudbury location as Sobre Mesa, and they have a second Nan's location in Southborough.

Mackey had worked for the Dig restaurant group, a mostly vegetarian fast-food outfit. He opened more than a dozen Dig locations in New York and now at Nan's uses a similar lean-protein bowl concept.

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Top: owners Jordan and Reanna "Nan" Mackey at Nan's Kitchen & Market in Stow. Above: the shawarma bowl at Nan's.

For instance, you can order a coriander and Aleppo-pepper scented chicken shawarma bowl on greens (or grains) with grilled broccoli, spicy kale, and a harissa vinaigrette. That dressing might be zhoug, the Middle Eastern spicy cilantro sauce, Greek tzatziki, with a yogurt base, garlic tahini, or pesto.

Grains, or the hefty part of the bowls, might begin with brown rice, farro, "black bean business" (with rainbow quinoa and sumac-cured lemons) or kale. Salads include beets with apples, spring roots, Green Goddess cucumbers, potatoes and beans, shaved cauliflower, spicy green beans, ratatouille, and sweet potatoes.

And that fried chicken: It never sits under a heat lamp, so it's deliciously crunchy with juicy meat and bones you feel like crunching. In a perfect sandwich on a brioche bun, Nan's Original Fried Chicken Sammie is spread with Calabrian chile mayo with a cabbage, broccoli, and kale slaw tucked inside.

The big square biscuits are buttery and flaky and the sweet tea, made with MEM Irish breakfast (superb choice for this) isn't too sweet.

Much of the produce comes from neighboring farms. By mid-summer, says Mackey, it will all be local.

A kitchen that can produce food this good needs to pay a little more attention to desserts. Massachusetts Mud Pie with Oreos is a great idea but tastes packaged. Same with Southern Banana Pudding with vanilla wafers. Chocolate chunk cookies, hardly a cut above slice-and-bake, might be improved slightly by a longer baking time.

Nan packs our order, which is ready long after we've settled into a picnic table, with heaps of cookies and says several times that she regrets the delay.

One day a woman picking up an order was kept waiting, Mackey tells me, and when Nan apologized (with cookies) the woman told her not to worry. "You're feeding our family for a tiny bit more than we could do it ourselves," said the customer, "and you're giving us our time back."

"Spend more time with your kids," advises Mackey, a dad of two. "Get out the board games."

271 Great Road (Route 117), Stow, www.nansmarket.com. Sandwiches $9.95-$11.95; grain bowls $13.95-$15.95; 5-10 piece fried chicken $14.95-$29.95.

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Bad cooking show a good excuse to throw a party

▶"DRAG ME TO DINNER"
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others. Party guests include executive producers-slash-husbands David Burtka and Neil Patrick Harris, "Drag Race" winner Bianca Del Rio, and actress Haneefah Wood. Veteran New York entertainer Murray Hill is the MC. At some point, amid each episode's high jinks, there is a trivia contest. The team that wins receives a constructive consultation with Burtka, a trained chef who offers cooking tips no one here cares about. The other team gets a destructive visit from Burtka as Sue Chef, the world's most annoying drag alter ego. At the end of the episode, one team is declared the winner, based on the success of its food and drink, design and decor, and entertainment and overall vibe. Prizes include many amusingly ridiculous items, from a Cher-cuterie board to the Golden Grater trophy — "because both teams are great, but one is grater."

On the one hand, "Drag Me to Dinner" is a bit of a disaster. An actual cooking show where drag queens compete to make the best food would be riveting, full of hilarity and surprise. A queen needs a kitchen like a fish needs a bicycle, so which contestants can throw down, and how magnificently can the others mess up? A drag show with a culinary theme would be rollicking. What setting could be richer and riper for send-up than the kitchen, the traditional domain of femininity and domesticity? "Drag Me to Dinner" high-kicks between modes, tripping over its own feet.

The cooking also bends the time-space continuum. One minute, queens are blending together herbs and eggs (shells included), pouring the concoction into the center of a pork crown roast along with the blender's blade, and shoving it all in the oven. OK, so this is about camp, not kitchen skills. But a few minutes later, guests are tucking into that magically browned roast. With 10 minutes left in competition time, a team is just starting to prepare meatloaf. At the 5-minute mark, a Jell-O mold encasing hot dogs, cherry tomatoes, and olives hasn't gone into the fridge. These then appear at the table for tasting and judging, along with an assortment of dishes the viewer hasn't even seen before. I'm all for suspending disbelief, but there's no way to tell how much of the food, drink, design, and decor the contestants are actually responsible for. The entertainment and overall vibe parts are much more coherent, and the more "Drag Me to Dinner" leans into them, the better it is.

On the other hand, there is really no need to overthink the show or take it too seriously. Things are serious enough out there. This is entertainment, fluffy and silly and chaotic. Take it for the laughs — for Bianca Del Rio's deadpan, unprintable response when she's told to stay positive; for every joke about meat, packages, crabs, or balls; for the time a dinner guest is *murdered* and Harris kneels to help, announcing, "I was once a doctor!" "Drag Me to Dinner" isn't a wasted opportunity, because there aren't finite opportunities for drag-centric entertainment. Let someone else make that serious cooking show starring drag queens — whose place is in the kitchen, and at story hour, and on TV, and wherever, because like most adults drag queens adjust behavior for the circumstances. As Hill says of the show: "You've clearly binged all of 'The Handmaid's Tale' and needed a palate cleanser." Exactly that. When we've had enough of dystopian visions that hit close to home, we want what "Drag Me to Dinner" is serving: escape-from-realness TV.

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Queens Kim Chi (left) and Naomi Smalls in the "Slumber Party" episode of "Drag Me to Dinner."

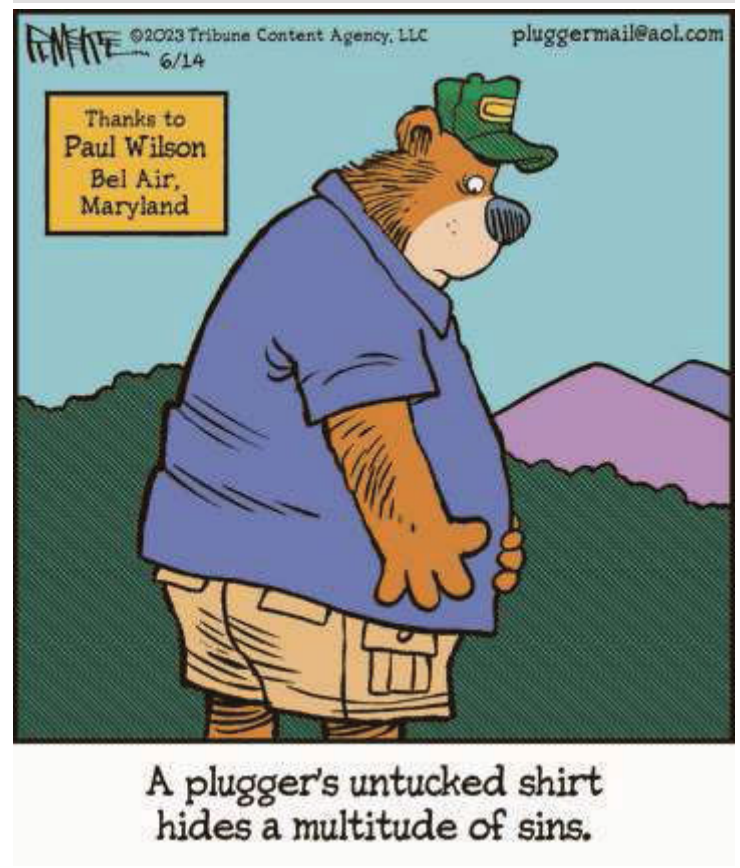
CRABGRASS by Tauhid Bondia

HANG ON. YOU REALLY THINK THERE'S NO ONE DRIVING THAT ICE CREAM TRUCK?
I KNOW IT!
I GOT A GOOD LOOK INSIDE THE CAB. THAT STEERING WHEEL WAS TURNING ON ITS OWN!
BUT HOW?
WHO'S TO SAY! MAYBE IT'S POSSESSED BY A MALEVOLENT SPIRIT OR SOMETHING. IT'S UP TO YOU AND ME TO FIGURE IT OUT!
DID SOMEBODY SAY LIBRARY?
WHAT?! NO! NOBODY SAID THAT!

ZITS by Jerry Scott & Jim Borgman

I'M SO HAPPY THAT JEREMY IS ENJOYING HIS SUMMER INTERNSHIP.
ME TOO.
I'M SEEING REAL GROWTH IN HIM.
OH?
TODAY HE WORE NEW MATCHING SOCKS!
SO THAT'S WHERE THEY WENT.

PLUGGERS by Rick McKee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DOONESBURY by Garry Trudeau

UNCLE Z, COULDN'T I JUST BUY MY PAPER OFF THE INTERNET?
SURE, BUT AT WHAT COST? THINK ABOUT IT!
>SIGH< ...YOU'RE RIGHT. IF I GOT CAUGHT BUYING PAPERS, THEY'D TOSS ME OUT OF SCHOOL.
CORRECTO, NEPHEW...
AND IF THEY DON'T CATCH YOU, YOU'LL PASS YOUR COURSES AND BE FORCED TO GRADUATE!
WHOA...SO IT'S REALLY A LOSE-LOSE SOLUTION!
RIGHT! PLUS, YOU GOT YOUR MORAL CONSEQUENCES.

DUSTIN by Steve Kelley & Jeff Parker

IS THAT DONUT LEFT OVER FROM YESTERDAY?
YEAH. IT SAT OUT UNCOVERED ALL DAY AND ALL NIGHT, SO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS.
YES.
GOODBYE, SELF-RESPECT.

RED & ROVER by Brian Basset

ARCTIC CIRCLE by Alex Hallatt

I'M MONITORING THE ULTRASONIC SOUNDS PLANTS MAKE WHEN THEY'RE STRESSED.
AAIEE!!
I'VE BEEN SINGING IN THE GREENHOUSE TO RELAX THE PLANTS. SHALL I SING TO YOU?

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE by Lynn Johnston

YOU GOT YOUR TUX YET, MIKE?
YEAH. WE RENTED ONE YESTERDAY.
I'M BORROWING ONE FROM MY UNCLE.—I HAVEN'T SEEN IT YET, BUT HE SAYS IT'LL FIT OK.
I DON'T HAVE ANY SHOES, THOUGH.—THINK IT'LL BE OK IF I WEAR SNEAKERS?
I GUESS, AS LONG AS THEY'RE BLACK.
SCUFF SCUFF SCUFF!

CURTIS by Ray Billingsley

UM...HELLO...UM, I'M CURTIS WILKINS AND I'M HERE TO WORK-
YOU'RE HIRED!! WE NEED YOUNG PEOPLE TO HELP KEEP OUR MISSION ALIVE!
I'M SAW-SHORT FOR CRENSHAW, WHERE I'M ORIGINALLY FROM
I'M JOY. FEEL WELCOME. THAT IS, IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WANT TO BE.

RHYMES WITH ORANGE by Hilary Price

ARLO & JANIS by Jimmy Johnson

YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE FUN LOOKING AT OUR OLD PICTURES! I PROMISE!
I KNOW!
HERE'S OUR CHRISTMAS TREE FROM 1993!
HERE'S OUR CHRISTMAS TREE FROM 1994!
WHICH ALBUM HAS THE BEACH PHOTOS?
THIS ONE!

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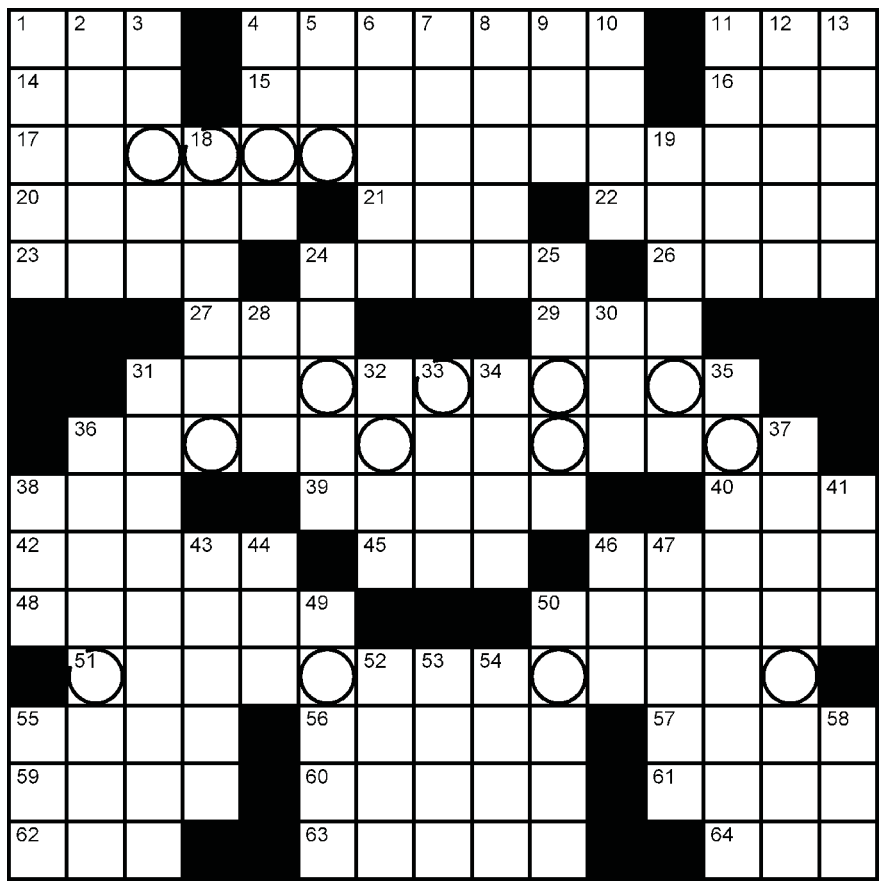
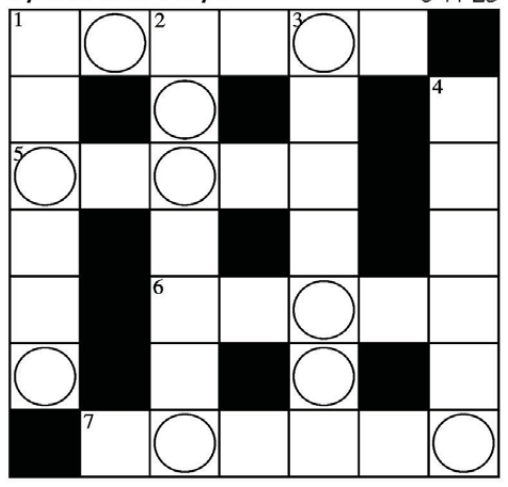


ACROSS

1 Letter after chi
4 They get smashed at parties
11 "It's Finger Lickin' Good!" chain
14 Fall behind
15 Trendy green toast topper
16 Apt letters missing from "b_ _t propelle_"
17 *Wildly disorganized (Note: The title hints at the expanding word hidden in the starred clues' answers)
20 Nary a soul
21 ___ shu pork
22 Bottoms of feet
23 Door handle
24 Rabbits' cousins
26 Performing group
27 "The best things in life ___ free"
29 Pose a question
31 *As far as the eye can see
36 *Needing no encouragement from others
38 "Steady as ___ goes"
39 Poker-faced
40 Sue Grafton's "___ for Burglar"
42 ___ opposites
45 "What'd I tell ya?"
46 Be far from humble
48 Admit to wrongdoing
50 Oversensitive
51 *Paid the price for shouting too much
55 "For Pete's ___!"
56 Home of the Louvre
57 Yoda, for one
59 Exam for a doc-to-be
60 Bird eating a rattlesnake in the Mexican coat of arms
61 Taiwanese laptop maker
62 "Whoa there!"
63 Hoity-toity type
64 One in Hershey, Pa. offers a "cocoa facial"

DOWN

1 Ab exercise
2 Beautician's shop
3 House that's really cool!
4 Cover with tar
5 "To All the Boys ___ Loved Before"
6 Marilyn's birth name
7 Broadway figure
8 Chevy SUV
9 Commercial suffix for "Gator"
10 Soaks (up)
11 "Bear" that sleeps up to 20 hours a day
12 Meets head-on
13 Toothpaste brand
18 Awaiting trial, maybe
19 Pendant with a picture
24 Is in charge of
25 Shrewd
28 Rugby official
30 "Chandelier" singer
31 Isn't ailing
32 Connect the ___
33 Great Plains tribe
34 "Ugh, I guess we'll do it your way!"
35 Internet user's need
36 String with an aglet
37 Served, as food
38 Skin care letters
41 Pig's place
43 It's a plus
44 Dull routine
46 Spherical ghost in "Luigi's Mansion"
47 Board that may spell trouble?
49 Vatican leaders
50 Movie night device
52 Bread served with butter chicken
53 "Therefore ..."
54 Farm tower
55 "I disapprove," in textspeak
58 "The best defense ___ good offense"



ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Calm, inactivity	SOEPRE
5. Type of boat	NEOCA
6. State as an opinion	PEION
7. ____, Florida	NLSEAP

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Recover	EROUCP
2. Mythical woman	RODANPA
3. Distinctive	LCSIAEP
4. Arm muscles	SCEIPB

CLUE: The ____ ____ is the world's largest inland body of water.

BONUS

How to play: Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1A-Repose 5A-Canoe 6A-Opine 7A-Naples 1D-Recoup 2D-Pandora 3D-Special 4D-Bicarb B-Caspian Sea

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Boston's forecast

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TODAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **71-76** LOW **57-62**
Clouds and sun with showers and a gusty thunderstorm in the afternoon. Winds S 7-14 mph. A thunderstorm in some areas early tonight, then some clearing late at night.

THURSDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **74-79** LOW **60-65**
Times of clouds and sun with a shower in spots. Winds W 6-12 mph. Partly cloudy at night. Winds WSW 6-12 mph.

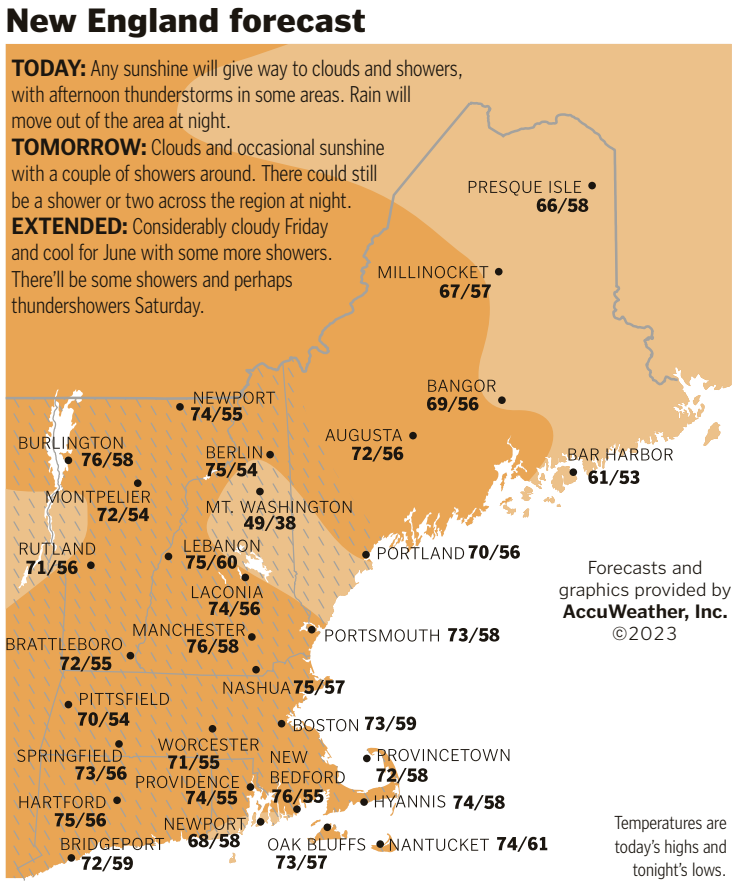
FRIDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **74-79** LOW **56-61**
Some sun early, then turning cloudy with afternoon showers. Winds SSW 6-12 mph. Cloudy at night with a couple of showers, mainly early. Winds SE 6-12 mph.

SATURDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **65-70** LOW **57-62**
Clouds and a few sunny breaks with a couple of showers; hazy skies can return. Winds ENE 7-14 mph. Mostly cloudy at night. Winds N 7-14 mph.

SUNDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **67-72** LOW **56-61**
Cloudy to partly sunny. Winds ENE 8-16 mph. A few showers are possible at night. Winds SE 6-12 mph.

New England forecast

TODAY: Any sunshine will give way to clouds and showers, with afternoon thunderstorms in some areas. Rain will move out of the area at night.
TOMORROW: Clouds and occasional sunshine with a couple of showers around. There could still be a shower or two across the region at night.
EXTENDED: Considerably cloudy Friday and cool for June with some more showers. There'll be some showers and perhaps thundershowers Saturday.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low	69°/60°
Sunrise	5:07 a.m.
Sunset	8:22 p.m.
Moonrise	2:40 a.m.

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday)

Weather	Dense fog
Visibility	0 miles
Wind	southeast at 19 m.p.h.
High/low temperature	51/40
Snow depth at 5 p.m.	0.0"

Allergies Source: Asthma & Allergy Affiliates, Inc.

Trees	Weeds	Grass	Mold
High	Low	Moderate	N.A.

Yesterday's mold and spore rating.

Eastern Massachusetts air quality

GOOD MOD. UNHEALTHY HAZARDOUS
50 75 100 150 200 300

For more information on today's conditions, call the state hotline at (800) 882-1497 or Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection web site www.state.ma.us/DEP

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.02"	Month to date	1.03"	Year to date	17.26"
Precip days in June	9	Norm. month to date	1.77"	Norm. year to date	19.42"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Boston high	9:04	9:23
Height	9.4	10.5
Boston low	2:49	3:02
Height	0.4	0.9
High tides		
Old Orchard ME	8:56	9:16
Hampton Beach NH	9:10	9:30
Plum Island	9:13	9:35
Ipswich	8:55	9:15

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Gloucester	9:04	9:23
Marblehead	9:04	9:23
Lynn	9:04	9:24
Scituate	9:08	9:28
Plymouth	9:11	9:32
Cape Cod Canal East	8:58	9:17
Cape Cod Canal West	8:00	
Falmouth	8:48	9:07

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Hyannis Port	10:06	10:16
Chatham	10:08	10:21
Wellfleet	9:18	9:37
Provincetown	9:02	9:23
Nantucket Harbor	10:15	10:25
Oak Bluffs	9:27	9:59
New Bedford	5:35	6:07
Newport RI	5:28	6:00

New England marine forecast

Small craft advisory
Gale warning Storm warning

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Boston Harbor	SE 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	74/59
East Cape Cod Canal	S 7-14 kts.	1-2 ft.	76/59
Buzzards Bay	S 8-16 kts.	1-2 ft.	76/59

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Martha's Vineyard	S 8-16 kts.	1-3 ft.	74/57
Nantucket	S 7-14 kts.	1-3 ft.	73/60
Provincetown	S 7-14 kts.	1-3 ft.	73/59

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Cities

Forecast high and low temperatures and conditions

● Travel delays possible, **C** Clouds, **F** Fog, **H** Haze, **I** Ice, **Pc** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **Sh** Showers, **S** Sun, **Sn** Snow, **Fl** Flurries, **T** Thunderstorms, **W** Windy

	Today		Tomorrow	
● Atlanta	79/66	T	81/67	T
● Atlantic City	80/59	T	83/59	Pc
● Charlotte	84/62	T	87/64	S
Chicago	76/59	Pc	80/55	Pc
Dallas	88/72	Pc	95/76	S
● Denver	78/54	T	70/52	T
Detroit	76/57	Pc	74/55	Sh
● Fort Myers	93/79	T	93/78	S

	Today		Tomorrow	
Los Angeles	72/59	Pc	70/59	Pc
● Miami	93/80	T	94/78	S
● New Orleans	94/80	Pc	95/77	Pc
● New York City	75/60	T	80/64	Pc
● Philadelphia	77/62	T	81/64	Pc
Phoenix	99/75	S	100/77	Pc
● Salt Lake City	77/57	C	73/54	T
● San Francisco	70/57	Pc	71/58	Pc

	Today		Tomorrow	
Seattle	68/49	C	72/52	Pc
● Washington	79/61	Pc	84/64	Pc
Beijing	97/69	S	98/70	S
● Cancun	91/80	S	91/81	S
Mexico City	89/60	S	90/60	S
● Montreal	75/60	Sh	76/60	Sh
● Toronto	68/53	T	72/55	Sh
Vancouver	65/51	S	65/54	C

	Today		Tomorrow	
● Jerusalem	81/62	S	78/60	S
London	84/55	S	82/56	T
Moscow	75/53	S	80/59	S
Paris	86/58	S	85/59	Pc
● Rome	75/64	T	81/62	T
● San Juan	92/80	Pc	94/78	C
Stockholm	79/48	Pc	79/49	Pc
Tokyo	76/70	R	76/68	R

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, June 14, 2023:
Your confidence makes you want to get involved and take charge of a situation. This is because you are a natural leader and you see solutions quickly. Take inventory of your life this year. It's time to let go of people, places and things from the past that have held you back. Take time to commune with nature.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*
This is a poor day to discuss money, earnings or cash flow, as well as expenditures related to children, vacations or social events. People are sensitive and emotional today, and these topics will be particularly touchy. Steer clear of them. Tonight: Stay mum.

TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*
Once again, the Moon is in your sign; however, today it is at odds with Venus and Mars, which is poor for socializing. It makes dealings with others a bit strained and possibly defensive or guarded. Don't push issues with others. Go along to get along. Tonight: Patience.

GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*
Choose your words carefully when talking to others today. With the Sun and Mercury in your sign, you will communicate successfully with everyone. Nevertheless, behind-the-scenes issues could create a problem with siblings, relatives or neighbors. Tread carefully. Tonight: Solitude.

CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*
Postpone financial discussions for another day, because today people are touchy about financial matters as well as possessions that they might own. These financial discussions could also include the finances of a group or an organization. Keep a low profile. Tonight: Be agreeable.

LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
Do what you can to be diplomatic when dealing with everyone today. You will encounter difficulties, especially with parents, bosses, teachers, VIPs and the police. Quite likely, these difficulties will be public. Others will notice. However, relations with friends and groups are positive. Go with what works. Tonight: You're noticed.

VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
Steer clear of controversial subjects like politics, religion and racial issues today, because they're too sensitive to discuss. People are touchy and arguments will break out. Meanwhile, someone will listen to you because the Sun and Mercury are at the top of your chart. Think carefully before you speak. Tonight: Learn.

LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
Postpone discussions about inheritances, insurance disputes or shared property for another day, because you will make poor progress today. People will only fight. Instead, explore travel plans or issues related to higher education, publishing, medicine and the law. Tonight: Check your finances.

SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
Discussions with partners, close friends, parents and bosses are dicey today. No question. People will be ready to pounce. Therefore, steer clear of sensitive topics. You have to know when to hold and when to fold, and today is not the day for these discussions. Tonight: Listen.

SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
It's a blessing that relations with partners and close friends are warm today, because issues related to your work might be dicey! If you disagree about things with coworkers or fellow students, don't pursue this. Agree to disagree. "A soft answer turneth away wrath, but grievous words stir up anger." Tonight: Work.

CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
Parents must be extra patient with their kids today, because your dealings with them will be challenging. (Some days are like this.) It is what it is. Likewise, romantic discussions will also be challenging. People are emotional and overly sensitive. Keep this in mind. Patience is your best ally. Tonight: Get organized.

AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
Do what you can to keep the peace at home today. This will make life easier for everyone, including you. Conversations with partners and close friends are touchy and sensitive today. It's important to recognize how important timing is. Wait for a better day to mention your concerns. Then everyone wins. Tonight: Cocoon.

PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
Daily conversations, especially with siblings, relatives and neighbors, might easily lead to arguments and petty retorts. This is because people are quick to feel injured or slighted today. Instead, throw your energy into home repairs, family discussions and making improvements to where you live. This is a safe choice. Tonight: Talk.

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SUDOKU

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Puzzle difficulty levels: Easy on Monday and Tuesday, more difficult on Wednesday and Thursday, most difficult on Friday and Saturday. Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com.

DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART

West dealer — N-S vulnerable

North
♠ K 9
♡ A Q 5
♢ Q J 6
♣ 10 8 7 4 3

West
♠ 8 6 3
♡ J 10 9 7
♢ K 8 7 3
♣ Q 6

East
♠ 7 5
♡ K 8 2
♢ 10 9 5 4 2
♣ K J 9

South
♠ A Q J 10 4 2
♡ 6 4 3
♢ A
♣ A 5 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

Opening lead — ♡ J

The loser-on-loser play may be declarer's most valuable tool, useful in many situations: in establishing a suit, preparing an end play or executing an "avoidance" play.

In today's deal, North's bid of 2NT would have been an artificial forcing spade raise were he not a passed hand; as it was, his bid was natural and invitational, showing a balanced 11 or 12 points.

Against four spades, West leads the jack of hearts: queen, king, three. South wins the heart return with dummy's ace and counts nine winners: six trumps and three side aces. Where can he get a 10th trick?

South should lead a diamond to his ace at the third trick, lead a trump to dummy's nine and return the queen of diamonds. When East follows low, South discards his last heart — a loser on a loser.

West takes the king, and leads a third heart. South ruffs and reaches dummy with the king of trumps to discard a club on the jack of diamonds. He loses one club at the end but makes his game.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ K 9 ♡ A Q 5 ♢ Q J 6 ♣ 10 8 7 4 3. The dealer, at your right, passes. North in today's deal passed with this hand in second seat. Do you agree or would you have opened the bidding?

ANSWER: I sympathize with North's pass. North had minimum high-card values with only one ace and one king. His long suit was a ragged minor. He did have two "Quick Tricks." The modern expert tendency is to open anything that remotely resembles an opening bid.

ZIPPY "La-la Land Grab" by Bill Griffith

YOW! I'M IN LOS ANGELES IN 1947!! THERE'S NO SMOG OR TRAFFIC JAMS AND I'M MINUTES AWAY FROM EDMOND O'BRIEN!!
I THINK I'LL GET A JOB AS AN INSURANCE SALESMAN & THEN BECOME ENMESHED IN A MURDER PLOT WITH EITHER BARBARA STANWYCK OR LIZABETH SCOTT.
UH-OH, I MAY HAVE TO SIGN WITH A POWERFUL AGENT IN ORDER TO AVOID A CAREER AS CHARACTER ACTOR PERCY HELTON!!

ADAM@HOME by Rob Harrell

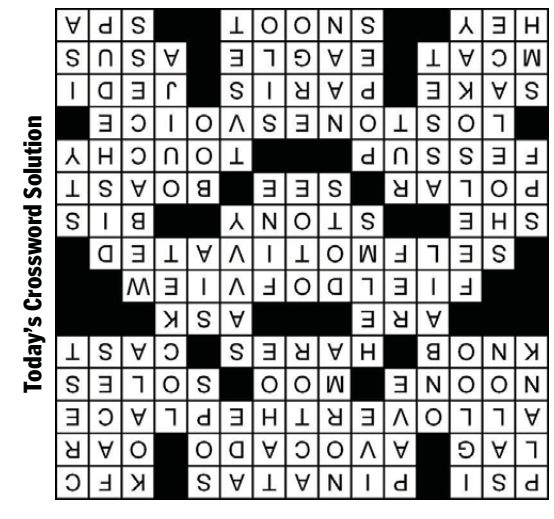
THIS SUBATOMIC COFFEE COULD DESTROY LIFE AS WE KNOW IT??
IT COULD.
OKAY! OKAY! IT'S NOT WORTH THE RISK, EVEN TO ADVANCE COFFEE DELICIOUSNESS.
WHOOPS! LOOK OUT!
BONK
Beep
LITTLE HELP?
Beep Beep Beep Beep

BIZARRO by Wayno & Piraro

MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM by Mike Peters

ROSE IS ROSE by Pat Brady & Don Wimmer

Today's Crossword Solution



Today's Sudoku Solution

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4	7	8	3	6	1	2	5	9
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TELEVISION

THEO WARGO/GETTY IMAGES FOR TONY AWARDS PRODUCTIONS

Host Ariana DeBose performed the opening number at the 76th annual Tony Awards Sunday night.

Unscripted Tony Awards broadcast saw an increase in viewership

The CBS telecast of the Tony Awards drew 4.3 million viewers on Sunday night, the second straight year the broadcast has seen a bump in ratings, according to Nielsen.

The modest increase in viewership at a moment when people are fleeing broadcast television qualifies as a win these days. And the fact that the Tonys gained audience share is part of a trend where award shows have stopped the bleeding after years of steep losses. This year's Oscars and Grammy awards both increased their viewership, too.

Still, for the Tonys, which is a relatively niche ceremony compared with more popular awards shows, Sunday's ratings represent the third-lowest viewership total since records have been kept. Last year's ceremony drew 3.9 million viewers.

The fact that the Tonys happened at all took no small effort. Just a month ago, the televised ceremony was in jeopardy after the union representing thousands of striking movie and television writers — who have been on strike against the major Hollywood studios since May 2, arguing that their wages have stagnated despite the streaming production boom — threatened to picket the event.

The writers have deployed aggressive tactics to hurt the studios during the strike, and a live event broadcast on CBS was lining up to be a good target. (The writers had already disrupted last month's MTV Movie & TV Awards, which prompted the cancellation of the live ceremony; MTV and CBS share corporate parent Paramount.)

But a group of playwrights lobbied leaders of the Writers Guild of America, the union representing the writers, arguing that the cancellation of the event would hurt the theater industry more than it would hurt CBS. The Tony Awards represent a vital marketing tool for Broadway as it still makes its slow recovery out of the pandemic. Given the relatively low viewership of the Tonys, the show has always been more of a prestige play for CBS than a profit machine.

The WGA relented, and the result was an awards show that went heavy on live performances and introductory videos, without scripted material or pre-written bits. Presenters did little more than introduce themselves and announce the nominees and winners. The striking writers were given repeated shoutouts throughout the night.

The unscripted ceremony, hosted by Ariana DeBose, was mostly well received. Jesse Green, The New York Times' theater critic, observed, "Previous Tonys telecasts have often wasted their 'bumpers' — the gaps between the end of a big performance or award and the commercials that follow — with unconvincing scripted nonsense. Guess what? No script, no nonsense."

NEW YORK TIMES

ASK AMY

Teenager should learn to be here now

Q. I'll be a junior in high school in the fall. So far, high school has been bland. The only excitement for me is the fact that I'm going to Japan on a school trip soon.

I want to attend an out-of-state college because I want to have a fresh start. I want to have some kind of friend group (since I'm an introvert), to have a boyfriend, and to attend parties (but I don't only want to party in college).

I have a hard time making decisions because I'm so worried that whatever I choose will be a bad decision and affect my future. I tend to dwell on the future rather than the present.

I tend to be very hard on myself, which makes me feel like I'm my own worst enemy when it comes to this stuff. I'm always worrying about things instead of just relaxing and "being a teenager." Other times, I feel like I'm behind in everything that should happen to teenagers.

Sometimes, I just want to stop trying because nothing is going right for me. But other times, I want to keep going and try and see what happens.

What should I do?

DOUBTING EVERYTHING IN LIFE

A. Let me start by assuring you that what you are going through is very much within the norm, not only for teenagers, but for people at every stage of life.

As a former anxious and doubting teenager, I'll pass along my own hard-earned wisdom: Life unfolds in fits and starts, and anxiety doesn't seem to change the outcome. Looking back, the only regrets I have are those things I was too scared or anxious to try.

Many teens are saddled with a very short view of their own futures; this is why the teen years tend to be experimental, but aside from times when poor judgment leads to accidents, injury, or pregnancy, very few decisions you make now will change the course of the rest of your life.

College isn't really the experience you see portrayed in the media. It will definitely broaden your choices, but you'll still be yourself, with many of the same questions, concerns, and insecurities. That's why it is important for you to understand that the only person locking you into a specific future is you.

My advice for you is to deliberately shorten your view. For the rest of the summer, promise yourself not to look beyond the summer.

This overseas trip is an amazing opportunity to live in the moment and to form friendships and connections. If you don't slow down your racing thoughts, you will miss what's right in front of you.

Researching Zen Buddhism as practiced in Japan might help you to comprehend that there is no purpose in being somewhere if all you are doing is thinking of going somewhere else.

Write down these three words: Be here now.

Q. We received an invitation to a graduation party for a very deserving young man.

Suddenly, one week before the graduation party we received a Facebook invite to an "additional celebration." The young graduate's sister accepted a promotion at her company and will be moving out of state for her new job. The graduation party is now a dual party.

Do we take a going away gift for the daughter? If yes, what is an appropriate gift and how much should we spend?

We are already giving $100 to the graduate.

CONFUSED FRIENDS

A. Adults who get job promotions already have their party gift: the promotion.

If you are close to this young woman and want to celebrate her good news, then you could give her a coffee card for a modest amount ("Your first few brews in your new home are on us!").

Otherwise, I don't think it's necessary to give the sister anything except your sincere expressed delight and excitement about her new adventure.

Q. I had to share with my co-workers the letter from "Grateful Grandchild," who wanted their inheritance in advance in order to travel. We came up with different options.

There wasn't a single person who thought that this request would be OK, which you very delicately pointed out. (Too delicately!)

First, this grandchild should look up the word "inheritance." It is something left upon a person's passing, not before.

WORKING IT

A. First of all, I love hearing that these questions are shared and discussed.

And while I am seldom accused of being "too delicate," I take your point!

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BIRD SIGHTINGS

Recent sightings on Cape Cod (through June 6) as reported by Mass Audubon.

A hooded warbler was still at Mass Audubon's Skunknett River sanctuary and an Acadian flycatcher was found in Mashpee.

Birds blown in at Race Point in Provincetown included 43 red-necked phalaropes, a razorbill, 5 parasitic jaegers, 24 black-legged kittiwakes, a black tern, 3 Arctic terns, an Iceland gull, 60 Wilson's storm-petrels, 4 sooty shearwaters, and 8 Manx shearwaters.

Birds tallied in surveys of closed parts of Monomoy NWR included 4 Northern pintail, 2 gadwall, 21,000 common terns, 450 least terns, a yellow-crowned night-heron, 10 glossy ibis, and a barn owl.

Other sightings around the Cape included the annual Elain Ave chuck-will's-widow continuing in Falmouth, 2 worm-eating warblers elsewhere in Falmouth, 16 red crossbills and 2 blue grosbeaks at Crane WMA in Falmouth, a seaside sparrow and 6 saltmarsh sparrows at Sandy Neck in Barnstable, and a little blue heron in Chatham.

If you have questions about these sightings, or want to report a sighting, call the Wellfleet Bay Wildlife Sanctuary at 508-349-2615 or send e-mail to cape.sightings@massaudubon.org.

Wednesday June 14, 2023

Movies | Sports | News | Specials

	7 pm	7:30	8 pm	8:30	9 pm	9:30	10 pm	10:30	11 pm	11:30
2 WGBH PBS	Greater Boston	Member Favorites			Member Favorites				Amanpour and Company (N)	
4 WBZ CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ghosts	Ghosts	Let's Make a Deal Primetime		CSI: Vegas "Third Time's the Charm"		News (N)	(:35) Colbert
5 WCVB ABC	News (N)	Chronicle	Judge "Run Me My Coins" (N)		Wonder (N) (SP)	Wonder (N)	Superstar (N)		NewsCenter 5 (N)	(:35) J. Kimmel
6 WLNE ABC	Hollywood	Inside Ed.	Judge (N)		Wonder	Wonder	Superstar (N)		ABC6Ne..	J.Kimmel
7 WHDH	Inside Ed. (N)	Extra (N)	Family Feud	Family Feud	7 News at 9PM (N)		7 News at 10PM (N)		7 News at 11PM (N)	(:35) Inside Ed.
9 WMUR ABC	Chronicle	News (N)	Judge (N)		Wonder	Wonder	Superstar (N)		News (N)	J.Kimmel
10 NBC Boston	Boston News (N)	Hollywood (N)	Night Court	Night Court	Chicago Fire "How Does It End?"		Chicago P.D. "The Ghost in You"		Boston News (N)	(:35) J. Fallon
10 WJAR NBC	News (N) (Live)	Extra (N)	Night Court	Night Court	Chicago Fire "How Does It End?"		Chicago P.D. "The Ghost in You"		News (N) (Live)	(:35) J. Fallon
11 WENH PBS	Travelscope	Windows (N)	Nature "Cuba's Wild Revolution"		NOVA "Back to the Moon"		NOVA "Rise of the Rockets"		Amanpour and Company (N)	
12 WPRI CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ghosts	Ghosts	Let's Make a Deal Primetime		CSI: Vegas "Third Time's the Charm"		12 News at 11 (N)	(:35) Colbert
25 WFXT FOX	ET (N)	TMZ (N)	MasterChef (N)		Food Stars "Got This in the Bag" (N)		Boston 25 News at 10PM (N)		Boston News (N)	(:35) News (N)
27 WUNI	Rosa "La mano en el corazón"		Perdona nuestros pecados (N)		El amor invencible (N)		Mujer (N)		Noticias Univisión	(:35) Noticiero
36 WSBE PBS	Milk Street	Rhode Island	Billy Joel: Live at Yankee Stadium				Rick Steves: Why We Travel		PBS NewsHour (N)	
38 WSBK	Big Bang	Big Bang	WBZ News 8p (N)		Daytime Jeopardy	Big Bang	CBS News Boston Now on TV38 (N)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld
44 WGBX PBS	(6:00) Member Favorites		Father Brown "The Serpent Within"		Sanditon on Masterpiece		The Seaside Hotel "Soldiers"		PBS NewsHour (N)	
50 WWJE	Somebody's		Dateline		Dateline		Dateline		The Last 24	
56 WLVI CW	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Nancy Drew (N)		Riverdale		7 News at 10PM on CW56 (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family
64 WNAC FOX	Family Feud	Family Feud	MasterChef (N)		Food Stars "Got This in the Bag" (N)		12 News on Fox Pr (N)		Seinfeld	Seinfeld
68 WBPX ION	Blue Bloods		Blue Bloods "The Common Good"		Blue Bloods "Guardian Angels"		Blue Bloods "Happy Endings"		Blue Bloods "Fallen Heroes"	
PREMIUM CABLE										
Cinemax	(6:40) ★ Pootie Tang ('01)		★★★ Humpday ('09) Joshua Leonard, Mark Duplass.		(:35) ★★★ Garden State ('04) Ian Holm, Zach Braff.				(:20) ★ Tammy ('14) Melissa McCarthy.	
Flix	(6:15) ★★★ Mother ('96) Albert Brooks.		★★★ Charlotte's Web ('06) Dakota Fanning,		(:45) ★★★ Hugo ('11) Sacha Baron Cohen, Asa Butterfield, Ben Kingsley.					
HBO	(6:00) ★★★ The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring ('01) Elijah Wood.				How Do You M...		★★★ Avatar: The Way of Water ('22) Zoe Saldana, Sigourney Weaver, Sam Worthington.			
HBO 2	(6:15) ★★★ I Love You, Man ('09)		★★ RocknRolla ('08) Tom Wilkinson, Thandie Newton, Gerard Butler.				Industry "Daddy"		Industry "The Giant Squid"	
Showtime	Ghosts of Beirut "The Finding"		★ Friday the 13th: The Final Chapter ('84) (P)		★ Friday the 13th -- A New Beginning ('85) (P)				(:05) Friday the 13th, Part VI: Jas...	
Showtime 2	(6:15) ★★★ Frida ('02) (P)		★★★ 1917 ('19) Dean-Charles Chapman, Mark Strong, George MacKay.				★★★ The Inspection ('22) Raul Castillo, Jeremy Pope.		(:35) Dances...	
Starz!	(6:00) ★ Movie 43	(:40) Belly Club ('08)	2: Millionaire Boyz The Game.		P-Valley "Last Call For Alcohol"		P-Valley "Murda Night"		(:55) Minx	To Decad...
TMC	(6:00) The Souvenir ('19)		★★★ Everything Everywhere All at Once ('22) Stephanie Hsu, Michelle Yeoh.				(:20) ★★★ Carrie ('76) Piper Laurie, William Katt, Sissy Spacek.			
SPORTS										
CBSSN	2023 U.S. Poker Open		2023 U.S. Poker Open		2023 U.S. Poker Open		2023 U.S. Poker Open		2023 U.S. Poker Open	
ESPN	MLB Baseball (N) (Live)						MLB Baseball (N) (Live)			
ESPN2	Cornhole 2023 ACL Bag Brawl (N)				30 for 30		30 for 30		SportsCenter (N) (Live)	
Fox Sports 1	Baseball Congressional Baseball Game For Charity Coverage of baseball action. (N) (Live)				UEFA Nations League Soccer Netherlands vs. Croatia Semifinal.				USFL Football	
Golf	Live From the U.S. Open				Live From the U.S. Open From Los Angeles.					
NBA	(6:00) NBA Play.		NBA GameTime (N)		NBA Playoff Playback				NBA GameTime	
NBC Sports	Early Edition		Early Edition		Best of Zolak and Bertrand		Boston Sports (N) (Live)		Boston Sports	
NESN	MLB Baseball Colorado Rockies at Boston Red Sox (N) (Live)						Extra (N)	Red Sox	MLB Baseball	
FAMILY										
Cartoon	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American	Rick
Disney	Kiff	Kiff	★ Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip ('15) Jason Lee.		(:35) Hamster &		Marvel's Mo	Marvel's Mo	Raven's Home	Raven's Home
Encore Family	(:10) ★ Ed ('96) Matt LeBlanc.			(:45) ★★ 12 Mighty Orphans ('21)				(:45) ★ Sgt. Bilko ('96)		
Nickelodeon	★★ Hotel Transylvania ('12)				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
Nick Jr.	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Gabby's	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble

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BASIC CABLE										
A&E	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam	Court Cam (N)	Court Cam (N)	I Survived	I Survived	(:05) Court Cam	(:35) Court Cam
AMC	(5:30) Central Inte...		★★★ Pitch Perfect ('12) Anna Kendrick.					★★ Pitch Perfect 2 ('15)		
Animal Planet	Monsters "Legend of Loch Ness"		River Monsters "Face Ripper"		Monsters "Man-Eating Monster"		Monsters "Amazon Apocalypse"		River Monsters "Bone Crusher"	
BBC America	Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones		Bones	
BET	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	Neighbor	Sistas "Fanning the Flames" (N)		Zatima (N)	First (N)	Sistas "Fanning the Flames"	
Bravo	Housewives/OC (N)		Housewives/OC (N)		Vanderpump Rules (N)		Project Runway (N) (SP)			Housewives/OC
CMT	Last Man	Last Man	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
CNN	OutFront (N) (Live)		Cooper 360 (N)		CNN (N) (Live)		CNN (N) (Live)		CNN (N) (Live)	
Comedy Central	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	South Park
CSPAN	(3:30) U.S. House (N) (Live)				Public Affairs Events					
CSPAN2	(2:45) US..	Public Affairs Events								
Dest. America	Buying the	Buying the	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii
Discovery	Expedition		Expedition (N)		Expedition (N)		(:10) Ghost Adv (N)		(:10) Mysteries (N)	
Discovery Life	Pregnant	Pregnant	Moms "Loud Labor"		Moms "Graduation"		Pregnant		Pregnant	
E!	(6:30) Te..	Temptation "The Reunion" (N)			Temptation (N) (SP)		The Big D (N) (P)		E! News	Sex-City
Encore	(6:20) The Banger...		Outlander (N)		(:05) Outlander (N)		(:20) Charlie's Angels ('19)			
Food	Grocery "GGG Meets Chopped"		Grocery "Night on the Flavortown"		Grocery "Home Cook Dads" (N)		Grocery "Dessert Games"		Grocery "Burger Ballers"	
Fox News	Jesse (N) (Live)		Fox News (N) (Live)		Hannity (N) (Live)		Ingraham (N) (Live)		Gutfeld! (N)	
Freeform	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The 700 Club	
FUSE	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	Freedia	Freedia	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	My Wife	Freedia
FX	Movie	★★★ Deadpool 2 ('18) Josh Brolin, Ryan Reynolds.					Mayans M.C. (N)		Mayans M.C.	
FXM	Movie	(:35) ★★ The Predator ('18)				★★ The Predator ('18) Boyd Holbrook.				Movie
Hallmark	(6:00) The 27-Hour...	Sweet Autumn ('20) Nikki DeLoach.					Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
Hallmark M.&M.	Curious Caterer: Dying for Chocolate				Curious Caterer: Grilling Season ('23)				Murder, She Wrote	
HGTV	Houses With History		Houses With History (N)		Home in a Heartbeat (N)		Hunters (N)	Hunters (N)	Inside Out "House Love" (N)	
History	Pawn Stars "Pawns of Anarchy"		Pawn Stars "Heere's Corey"		Pawn Stars "Siegfried and Rick; Chum's the Word" (N)				(:05) Pawn Stars "Put a Cork in It"	
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
HSN	Bellezza Jewelry (N)		Bzees Footwear (N)		Beauty Report (N)		Beauty Report (N)		Dr. Nassif (N)	
ID	See No Evil "Final Offer"		See No Evil "The Devil's Bathtub"		See No Evil "Mr. Big" (N)		On, Case "Tragedy in Visalia" (N)		Sins "Toxic Timebomb" (N)	
IFC	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond
Lifetime	Castle		Married "Nashville Cast Tell All" (N)				(:05) Castle		(:05) Castle	
LMN	(6:00) The Price o...		Secret Society of Lies ('23)				Vacation Home Nightmare ('23)			
MAGN	Restoring Galveston		Galveston (N)		Restoring Galveston		In With the Old		In With the Old	
MSNBC	ReidOut (N) (Live)		All In (N) (Live)		Wagner (N) (Live)		Last Word (N) (Live)		11th Hour (N) (Live)	
MTV	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous
National Geographic	To Catch		To Catch		A Smuggler "Dope in the Hood" (N)		Drug Lords: The Takedown (N)		To Catch "Strange Brew"	
NatGeoWild	Zoo: Tampa		Zoo: Tampa		Zoo: Tampa		Zoo: Tampa		Zoo: Tampa	
NECN	necn NOW (N)		Dateline		Dateline		LX Current-NECN		1st Look	Rescue
NewsNation	On Balance (N)		Cuomo (N)		Dan Abrams (N)		Banfield (N)		Cuomo	
Ovation	Blake "King of the Lake"			Blake "My Brother's Keeper"			The Doctor Blake Mysteries			Blake
OWN	20/20 on OWN		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It	
Oxygen	Dateline: Secrets		Dateline (N)		Unforgettable		Unforgettable		Unforgettable	
Paramount	Two Men	Two Men	★★★ Top Gun ('86) Kelly McGillis, Tom Cruise.					★★ Jack Reacher ('12)		
QVC	Summer (N) (Live)		In the Kitchen (N) (Live)				NuFACE (N) (Live)		Beekman (N) (Live)	
Science	If We Built It Today		If We Built It Today		If We Built It Today		If We Built It Today		If We Built It Today	
Sundance	(5:45) ★★ Tremors II: Aftershocks ('96)		★★ Tremors ('90) Fred Ward, Finn Carter, Kevin Bacon.				★★ Tremors II: Aftershocks ('96) Michael Gross, Chris Gartin, Fred Ward.			
SyFy	(6:00) ★★ Olympus Has Fallen			★★★ The Bourne Legacy ('12) Rachel Weisz, Jeremy Renner.						Movie
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite (N) (Live)				Survived Grylls		Sheldon	Sheldon
TCM	(4:45) Grand Prix		Carl Laemmle ('19)			(:45) Oscar Micheaux: The S...			(:15) Burden of Dr...	
TLC	Dr. Pimple Popper		Dr. Pimple (N)		Save My Skin (N)		My 600-Lb. Life "J.T.'s Story"			
TNT	Lucifer		★★★ The Town ('10) Rebecca Hall, Ben Affleck.					★★ The Accountant ('16)		
Travel	Paranormal Ca		Paranormal Ca		Paranormal Ca		Paranormal Ca		Paranormal Ca	
TruTV	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	Jokers	★★★ Neighbors ('14) Seth Rogen.			
TV Land	Griffith	Griffith	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
TV One	CosbySh..	CosbySh..	ATL Homicide		ATL Homicide		ATL Homicide		ATL Homicide	
USA	(:05) Law-SVU "I Thought You Were..		(:05) Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		Temptation Island (N) (SP)		The Big D "The Big Day One" (N) (P)		(:05) Law & Order: SVU "Dear Ben"	
VH-1	(4:00) Titanic		★★★ Django Unchained ('12) Jamie Foxx.					Martin	Martin	Martin
WE	NCIS "Jack Knife"		NCIS		NCIS		NCIS "Jurisdiction"		NCIS	

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